

Merry Christmas

To All Our Readers

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Large Number Attend Super Market Opening

FREEDOM—A large number of Freedomites motored to Barrhead Thursday evening to attend the opening of Bud's Super Market. The new market contains the latest and most efficient equipment for handling and safeguarding foods of all kinds. Proprietor of the store is W. R. Brunelle, and the store manager is Jimmy Brown, and Hans Keller is in charge of the meat department.

Exeter Sea Cadets Issue Unique Cards

LAC LA BICHE—Rev. Father McGrane has sent out to friends of the Lac la Biche Sea Cadet Corps one of the most unique and interesting Christmas greeting cards seen this year in Alberta.

The front of the card shows the Exeter, with Captain McGrane and cadets on deck, proudly sailing into a dock at Liverpool, England. In the background is a huge ocean-going liner and coming up behind is a small tug boat—still many times bigger than the Exeter.

The Lac la Biche cadets sailed with Father McGrane to England two years ago. While there they traveled the canals of England and the English channel.

Overwhelming Majority For Pasteurization

LAC LA BICHE—It was pleasing to learn that the residents of Lac la Biche were really health conscious as exemplified by their almost unanimous endorsement of the pasteurization by-law.

The final tabulation of results showed 83 votes for, and only one against with three ballots spoiled. Should the district also be as interested in establishing a health unit, the citizens could certainly be proud of their achievements.

Another promising sight recently witnessed was that many dog owners took full advantage of the opportunity of having their dogs vaccinated against rabbies.

District "Mounties" Receive Medals From Lieut. Governor At Investiture

EDMONTON—Forty-five members and ex-members of the RCMP "K" Division were presented with coronation and long-service medals at an investiture last week. Lieut. Gov. J. J. Bowlen officiated.

Among those who received the coronation medal were Sgt. D. P. McLachlin, Vegreville; Const. E. V. Christianson, Fort Vermilion. Those who received long service



NOT EVERY ALBERTAN will have the pleasure of Christmas dinner at home. Despite their being away at Christmas, RCAF personnel stationed at Whitehorse, Y.T., prepare to celebrate the festive season. A bountiful program of station events, topped by a turkey dinner will supplement the letters and parcels received from home. Decorating the mess hall where 80 turkeys and many pounds of Christmas goodies will be consumed are: Corporal J. A. Strudwick, Edmonton (left) and Cpl. F. W. Houghton, Starbridge, England. Cpl. Strudwick is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Strudwick, 9022 87 Street, Edmonton.

Lac La Biche Hotel Has Made Big Improvements Under New Owners

By T. W. PUE

The big news in the business district of Lac la Biche this year has to do with the coming to town of the fine, new York hotel. It adds greatly to the tourist accommodation that will make this district one of the best in Alberta for travellers.

Not to be overlooked, however, is

the fact that the old stand-by, the Lac la Biche hotel has had an interior renovation and face-lifting that will make it even more popular to guests and visitors. Under the management of new owners the beverage room has been enlarged and renewed. New outside lights have been put up on the corner of the building.

Every guest room is being re-decorated now and later next year it is planned to renovate the popular coffee shop and restaurant.

In 1953 the owners will have spent \$30,000 in renovation work in the hotel, making it one of the finest in Northern Alberta.

If we want a healthy Canada we must find the many people who do not know they have TB. Your TB association is using Christmas Seal funds to find these people. Buy Christmas Seals.

Provincial Government May Build Dam Next Year Across Lac La Biche River

By T. W. PUE

For a long time fishermen and other residents have been asking the Provincial Government to do something about the continual falling of the level of Lac La Biche.

This condition has been going on for several years. It is contended that the following results have been noted, in a petition signed by hundreds of residents and presented to the government.

A very considerable acreage of the spawning grounds now freeze to the bottom every winter.

Water weeds are taking possession of the shallow parts of the lake, including the bathing beaches, to a very serious extent resulting in the dying of the fish, especially the two most important commercial varieties, namely Whitefish and Tulibee, very few of which are now left; the fouling of the bathing beaches and that old weed of previous season's growth is now being found to be decaying in the deepest parts of the lake and thus fouling the entire body of water.

The oxygen content of the water has been ascertained to be now less than three percent.

The petitioners fear that the

continuance of these conditions will result in the loss of all the fish and the complete fouling of the water which, in turn, will cause the loss of the fishing and fur-farming industries at this point, deprive the town of Lac La Biche of its share of the "tourist" industry and render the water of the lake unfit for human consumption, thus rendering the newly installed water-works system of the town useless.

In the petition presented to the Provincial Government it was suggested that a dam could easily be placed across the La Biche River, which serves as outlet for Lac La Biche, at a point approximately on Section 17-69-15 West 4th Meridian at very reasonable expense and this dam could be made to raise the lake level two feet or more. It is intended that this method of controlling the lake level would restore the lake to its original condition.

Fishermen, fur ranchers and residents of Lac La Biche, since sending in the petition, have been asking themselves: "Does the Provincial Government think Lac La Biche is worth a dam, or not?" Well, the answer given early this month is that they do. Word has been received that the matter is being given most careful consideration and work may be done in 1954.

Town Of Lac la Biche Takes On Yule Tide Appearance

With the approaching of the festive season the various businesses of the town have gaily decorated their premises. Numerous Christmas trees are posted both inside and outside the various stores. "Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer" seems to have won a prominent place among the decorations.

Business men have reported that Santa has certainly not overlooked the stores in making his purchases. Large quantities of toys have been moving very well and it is expected that Santa should be able to fill most of the Christmas stockings. In a secret communique Santa has informed the editor that most of the children have been on very good behavior and hence the heavy order for toys and other goods.

To emphasize the fact that Christmas is really here a number of programs have been presented. The pupils of the grade three class, under the direction of Sister Bathilda, presented a very enjoyable program for the parents and school. The birth of the Christ Child was very well dramatized and the program as a whole was very suitable to the occasion.

The Sunday School class of the United Church also presented a Christmas program, but due to the fact that the program was presented in the church, many people could not be accommodated.

AURORA THEATRE

Lac la Biche Alberta
PRESENTS

Wed. and Thurs., Dec. 23 - 24—

"STARLIFT"

(Musical). Doris Day in a dandy little number that will please you all. 8:30

Fri. and Sat., Dec. 25 - 26—

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"Last of the Comanches"

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Wed. and Thurs., Dec. 30 - 31—

"SMALL TOWN GIRL"

(Musical). Starring: Jane Powell, Farley Granger and Ann Miller. A dandy little musical number that will please the whole family. 8:30

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Bank Loans Will Help Many Local Residents To Build Needed Homes

It isn't quite clear yet to district residents how liberal the new legislation affecting house loans will be. The government has announced a plan to guarantee bank loans for the building of new homes.

It is understood, however, that only 10 per cent of the cost of an \$8,000 home will have to be paid down by the owner and the balance of 90 per cent can be paid, with interest, over a period of 20 or 30 years.

Throughout Alberta the shortage of houses is acute in most places and many local families are anxiously awaiting the putting into effect of the new housing loan plan.

Gourin

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Duperron and girls were week-end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Boulanger.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cloutier and Paul were visitors at Mrs. Eugene Routhier's.

Men of Gourin are busy helping to flood the Almore skating rink. Thanks to those who cooperated. Mr. Nicolas Cosperac is away down east on a visit.

Mr. Eugene Routhier visited his wife over the week-end.

Mr. Philias Boulanger also visited his father and mother.

Marie Boulanger was away over the week-end, keeping children for her auntie, who was away on a visit.

Mrs. Albert Bourassa is hospitalized. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Freedom

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Donnelly motored to Jasper Park, where they visited with Mr. Donnelly's brother Pat and family. From Jasper they took the train to Port Coquitlam, B.C., where they will visit with their son Don, who is with the R.C.M.P. and posted there; also Mr. Donnelly's brother Jack and family, who live in Vancouver.

Last Sunday evening over twenty friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. Havilik, called on the couple in Barrhead for a house warming party. An electric iron was presented to the honoured couple, and the evening was spent very enjoyably by all present.

The Freedom branch of the F.U.A. held their annual meeting Tuesday evening, December 15, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Smith.

DREAMLAND THEATRE

BOYLE Alberta PRESENTS

Wed. and Thurs. Dec. 23-24—

"Let's Do It Again"

(Color) Jane Wyman, Ray Milland (COMEDY)

Fri. and Sat., Dec. 25-26—

"The Clown"

Red Skelton, Timmy Considine (COMEDY)

Mon. and Tues., Dec. 28-29—

"Operation Secret"

Cornel Wilde, Phyllis Thaxter (DRAMA)

Wed. and Thurs. Dec. 30-31

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HARRY LOBAY
LAC LA BICHE Alberta

New President Heads Meanook Man Gets Agricultural Society \$895.00 Damages

PLAMONDON. — A new president, Mr. Alec Schaub, was elected at the Plamondon Agricultural Society meeting held on the 15th. The meeting was not very well attended, considering the large number of farmers in this district. Mr. Martin Schaub, past-president, pointed out this fact in his speech, and also mentioned the disinterested attitude of the business men.

Mr. Lore spoke on the advantages of having an agricultural society. He also stressed the reasons why farmers should be proud of their occupation and forget the idea that a farmer is just a plain farmer.

The officers for the next term are: President, Alex Schaub; Secretary, Mrs. Leo Bourassa; Vice-President, Narcisse Menard; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Albert Richard.

EDMONTON (BUP). — The District Court of Alberta awarded damages of \$895 to Andrew Jackson of Meanook for damages received to his truck, which was in accident with one driven by Banks Watson of the Athabasca district.

Egg Lake

Mr. H. M. Olson and son Robert, also Patrick Pare, have left to go fishing around Conklin.

Mr. Leon Lapierre and Robert Lemay made a short trip to Edmonton recently.

Mrs. Ulric Menard is in hospital at Edmonton. She is wished a speedy recovery.

Mr. H. M. Olson has received the

news of her daughter Eileen's (Buddy) marriage to Mr. Chuck Wilson of Edmonton. Retail food prices in 1954 will stay close to this year's levels, Washington predicts.



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EDITORIALS

Not Enough Traffic Yet

There has been considerable criticism of the Government for its refusal to permit Canadian Pacific Airlines to operate a cross country air freight service in competition with Trans-Canada Airlines. At the present time T.C.A. has a monopoly on this service.

Fifty years ago Canadians were enthusiastically building railroads and allowed three transcontinental railroads to be built across Canada. It would have been much better if at least one of these transcontinentals had been refused permission to build at that time. It has only been in the last few years that Canada caught up with her railroad building and the result of our premature construction was that two of the transcontinentals went bankrupt and the Canadian people had poorer service at a greater cost.

Now, in carefully looking over the situation we may be in the same position with regard to air service and the point to consider is whether there is enough business in sight to allow competition in a field which, at the present time, is the exclusive right of the publicly owned Trans-Canada Airlines. The Transport Board says that a substantial potential for air cargo service exists in Canada but it doesn't say that the cargo is at present available. It also states that, with proper promotional backing, it should be self-sustaining in a reasonable time and eventually profitable. This is rather vague. Having gone so far the Board turned the matter over to the Cabinet. What the Cabinet says is "The time is not yet ripe for the extension of competition asked for by the C.P.A. In this decision of the Cabinet there is no indication that the Government intends to make T.C.A.'s monopoly permanent. It is just a matter of timing. But timing is often more important than the thing itself. The Government thinks the C.P.A. application somewhat premature.

An Arctic Problem

The Mackenzie is one of the great rivers of Canada. As it flows down north, it has carried a lot of sediment and this has formed a large delta. When covered by brush, scrub trees and vegetation, the silt remains firm. When this protective covering is removed, the midnight sun melts the snow and ice that is mixed with the silt and the result is soft mud several inches thick.

The Town of Aklavik was built on this delta and the people soon were in trouble. There was not only the terrible mud and flush, but no firm foundation could be found for the buildings. If a good thaw ever came, the buildings would sink at least six feet to the level of the river. As it is impossible to lay pipe, the sanitary conditions are bad and there is always the danger of epidemics.

This town has about 100 houses and a population all the year 'round of 400 people. In July and August the population is doubled. It serves an area of 50,000 square miles and is the centre of fur trading, administration and missionary services.

A search is being made for a new site for this north centre. If a suitable place can be located, the government plans to put all its buildings on skids and then move them to that site. The Dominion will pay all the costs of moving their buildings and may help the traders and missionaries to move also. When this is done, the risks of loss will be less and the people who live down in that far, austere, Arctic region, will be able to enjoy more modern conditions of life.

Note and Comment

Every man wants a pretty wife. If that can't be he demands an attractive one. I don't blame some men for not wanting to come home to unkempt and untidy wives.

—Evangelist Billy Graham

The Bible Today

Now all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name, Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. —Matt. 2: 23 and 24.

The Age-Old Message

To the cynic there is something hollow to the message of "Peace on earth to men of good will." But perhaps we have missed the truth of this age-old word of comfort.

To those who, in any sphere of life, intend and practise good-will towards their fellow men there is an abiding sense of peace. Men and women who plan and execute acts of ill-will cannot experience that inner peace.

The Christ who was born in Bethlehem's stable said: "If ye love me ye will do my commandments." One of his most important commands is to "love one another." But over and above all we are enjoined to love God, and our neighbor as ourself.

Though the world around us erupt in the flames of war and hatred, with this love of God, of Christ and our neighbor sincerely embedded in our hearts, we have the "Peace on Earth" promised to "Men of Good Will." Just as surely as did the wise men from the East who sought out His resting place by the light of the star.

Whose Birthday Is It?

By T. W. PUE

The Japanese people, observing the antics of American service personnel, have been troubled by explanations given them for the great Christian celebration we call Christmas.

Whose birthday do you celebrate, they ask, the funny little man with the white whiskers and red cheeks?

Whose birthday is it? A Catholic priest in the United States has started a campaign to ban the Santa Claus myth from family observance of what should be to every Christian a profoundly sacred religious festival.



T. W. Pue

We tell our kiddies from birth a monstrous lie. An incredible little man from the North Pole flies through the air with a small sleigh and in one night miraculously calls at the home of every boy and girl in the whole world with a gift for each.

And having filled the imaginations of our children with this hoax, it is difficult to realize the gross neglect in not telling children the true story of Christmas, more wonderful and beautiful than any fiction.

God Himself sent His Own Son to the world. The co-author of creation was born in a manger to a virgin mother. He lived but 33 years, and only three of those years in public ministry. To the best of our knowledge He never wrote a book or a letter. Yet His words have been preserved in the greatest book of all time, the Bible.

Jesus never organized an army, never set out upon a war of conquest. Yet He has, through the ages, captivated the hearts and souls of enough men, women and children to put the greatest military achievement securely in the background.

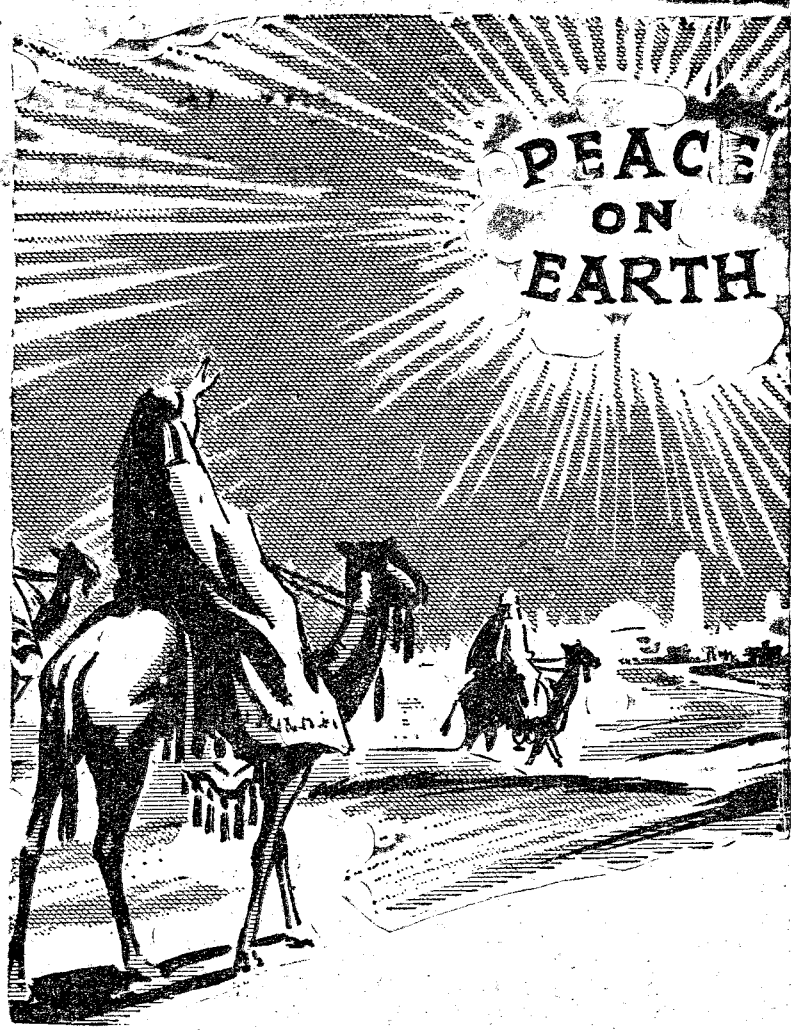
Men who say that Jesus was just another man, albeit a good man, are obviously mistaken because He said that He was the Son of God and if He is not, then the world commemorates the birthday of the greatest impostor and hoaxer of all time.

The birthday of Jesus presents a challenge to every individual. It is the birthday of the Son of God and as He came to the world to die on the Cross He made it mandatory for every man to either accept or reject Him.

How pitiful that millions today will celebrate His birth and refuse to believe in Him. How precious to all Christians of every denomination is the true story of Jesus — whose birthday it is we celebrate.

U.K. Wants Cheap Wheat

The British seem determined to bring down the price of wheat. The constant stream of publicity from London reflects the feeling that the opinion there is that wheat is overpriced and importers are willing to buy only their minimum requirements. They see little hope of greater activity in wheat marketing at anything like wheat's present price. A recent dispatch from the United Kingdom says importers are "unable to see where the (wheat) buying can come from or how any reputable broker can honestly advise his clients to buy." The dispatch goes on to say "Canada's advantage is that she has the hard wheats which are almost the only ones that millers want. Her disadvantages are the competition from the British government supplying British millers from its stock of Canadian wheat; and sales by other wheat exporting countries in ways that Canada cannot match."



Voice Of The People

Readers are invited to make free expression of opinion on any subject. Letters should be short and concise. The Editor reserves the right to condense or reject any letter.

IT WAS JESUS . . .

It was Jesus Christ, not Santa Claus,
Promised by prophets of old,
Fulfilled on the hills at Bethlehem,
Where the angels glad tidings told.

It was Jesus Christ, not Santa Claus,
In the manger at the inn;
His mother called him Jesus;
He saves his own from sin.

It was Jesus Christ, not Santa Claus,
The shepherds came to see;
And wise men brought him presents
For the King he is to be.

It was Jesus Christ, not Santa Claus,
Who suffered on the Cross
And shed his precious blood for all
That we should not be lost.

It was Jesus Christ, not Santa Claus,
Who rose up from the tomb
And ascended into heaven
To save us from our doom.

It was Jesus Christ, not Santa Claus,
Who is coming back again
To take us up to glory—
Forever with him then.

R. W. H.

Mayerthorpe.

MAN VS. FIG

In the long trail down through history, are we as smart as we credit ourselves with being because we achieve the airplane, the submarine, the atom bomb, etc.? In the Cambodian jungles you will find the ruins of the largest man-made building in the world, even today. It is called the Angkor Vat. The people who built it have disappeared without a trace, apparently. And some of the buildings near the main one have been almost obliterated by the wild fig tree. This plant spreads over the stone pillars and abutments, gradually causing the stones to disintegrate. So accomplished men can disappear, and their works can be dissolved by a fig tree. Let's stop fretting about what will happen if A- or H-bombs drop. We humans aren't too important, after all. Rev. EDWARD PETERSEN, Los Angeles, Calif.

PROPHECY FOR ISRAEL

Israel is now facing many difficulties, and the Bible indicates that nation will face more. But the Scriptures also declare that Jehovah will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of the land which He has given them. Israel was literally scattered as prophesied, but prophecy says Israel will be restored permanently to the land which Jehovah has given it.

Archibald R. Stewart.

BOUQUET TO BRUCE

Do you remember the editorial in the Mirror some weeks ago about the poor writing and mistakes in spelling that the employers complain about in the young people they employ? Well, as a further bouquet to Bruce McDonald, may I say that no employer will ever complain of either Bruce's writing or spelling. This is the second report he has given me for the paper, and all I have had to do is type it out, not one word has had to be changed or corrected. This makes reporting worthwhile.

Mrs. G. Edith Johnstone,
Editor Manville Mirror,
Manville, Alta.

INFORMATION WANTED

I enjoy getting and reading your paper very much and enclose \$2.00 for one year's subscription renewal.

Could any of your readers, through the Voice section, let me know the following information:
1. What papers were printed in Edmonton in 1905?
2. In what years was the CNR line to Whitecourt being built, and when was it completed? When was the line to Evansburg and Edson finished?

DALTON ROBINETT.

P.O. Box 43,
Yucca, Arizona.

EDITOR'S NOTE: While we want to give free expression to any reader for his or her views, in this column, we have had to draw the line this week when an English-born Albertan openly advocated a political philosophy foreign to our British and Canadian principles of the freedom and dignity of the human individual. This newspaper is not a tool for the use of opponents of freedom.

BRIGHT SAYINGS

The Editor will pay \$1.00 for each child's saying printed. To qualify, the saying must be true, personal remarks of a child known to the writer. Address: "Bright Sayings," P.O. Box 4490, South Edmonton.

One day mother came home from town with a loaf of sliced baker's bread. As we usually have good home-made bread at our house my little brother was quite intrigued by the sliced loaf. Next day when Mother was baking a fresh batch of bread he asked her: "Mother, why not bake some sliced bread today?"

MARY ZAHARA.

Culp, Alberta.

At our supper table my older sisters and brothers were talking about not shooting deer this year. My five-year-old brother spoke up, saying: "You know those who shoot deer this year are sure going to get heck from Santa Claus. He hasn't got enough deer this year to give us presents."

HELEN STARK.

St. Paul, Alberta.

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LETTER TO LOUISA

BOY, 16, TAKES LIBERTIES WITH 15-YEAR-OLD GIRL FRIEND

Dear Louisa:

I am 15 years old and in love with a boy who is 16. I love him very much and he says he loves me. But every time we go out he wants to take liberties with me.

When he comes to see me and stays till ten o'clock, Mother fusses and when he goes off earlier, she wants to know why he left so early. This boy wants me to marry him this fall but my mother wants me to keep on going to school.

Do you think this boy loves me as well as he says? We are going steady. He takes me places, buys me things and we have nice times together but when we get nearly home, he is always ready to park somewhere.

Should I quit him or marry him? He says he is ready to settle down.

Help me decide what to do.

—Undecided

Answer:

My dear child, you are making a terrible mistake by letting this boy take liberties with you. You not only run a risk of getting into trouble but that is usually the time that the boy who talks so much about marrying breaks with you and leave for other parts.

A boy who really loves you will not put you in such a position. He will want to protect you. And even if he does marry you later he will never trust you and will throw up your weakness to you for the rest of your days.

You are both too young to get married. But draw the line at such behaviour and go on and finish school.

You can test your friend's love by seeing how long he hangs around after you raise your standard of living.

—Louisa

Dear Louisa:

You may think I am a very un-

grateful daughter but I think my mother is a slacker.

Father died about five years ago. Of course, his good salary stopped at his death. Sister had to come home from college and I went to work straight from High School although both of us had made splendid marks and were very anxious to prepare ourselves to teach.

We could have managed to do this only there was no one to support mother.

Now, mother is healthy and could have gotten a job as easily as either of us but she had never worked outside the home and she was struck dumb when we mentioned it to her. To preserve the peace sister and I both took jobs in a department store and what we make barely supports the three of us but mother is perfectly happy.

Sometimes I feel so exasperated over the whole mess that I feel like leaving home.

Estelle.

Answer:

Your mother is evidently one of those selfish creatures who believes in taking everything and giving little.

How many wonderful mothers have worked and done without luxuries to prepare their children for better things in life! And unless the child is worthless, they have usually been repaid for their sacrifice a thousand fold, not alone in happiness but in material things.

Of course, it is hard to tell one's mother she must get out and support herself, but if she is young enough and able-bodied enough to do so, I see no reason for two ambitious daughters to be offered up as sacrifices on the altar of poorly paid labor when you could do better with a little more education.

Have a good straight talk with your mother. She may be able to get a place as a matron or housekeeper in the college you wish to attend and then if you can make the arrangements, you can still complete your course.

LOUISA

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PRESIDENT EISENHOWER'S VISIT WAS "MEMORABLE" OCCASION

By J. W. S.

OTTAWA — It is a memorable occasion for Canada when the President of the United States pays us a visit.

Fifty thousand people surrounded Union Station and Confederation Square in Ottawa when the President and Mrs. Eisenhower arrived on Friday morning.

He was greeted by a group of teen-agers from Rouse's Point. "Hi!" he said, with friendly grin and a wave of his arm. He was met by the Governor-General, the Prime Minister and Mrs. St. Laurent, and twenty of the twenty-one Cabinet Ministers.

A 100-man Guard of Honor, as well as the Governor General's Foot Guards, were lined up outside Union Station and a 21-gun salute boomed out while the band played "The Star Spangled Banner". The President inspected the Guard and walked to the National War Memorial accompanied by the Governor General and the Prime Minister. He placed a wreath of red carnations and white chrysanthemums at the base of the Memorial while the Navy and Air Force bands played "Abide With Me". As he stood with head bowed the bands played "The Star Spangled Banner", "O Canada", and "God Save the Queen".

Next day he addressed both houses of parliament, which will be reported in next issue.

"Mamie" Eisenhower captured the hearts of the people of Ottawa with her dimpled smile and her warm friendly personality. This was a special occasion for "Mamie" as it was her 57th birthday. However, Mrs. St. Laurent knew she was coming so she baked a cake. The pressmen and photographers also presented Mrs. Eisenhower with a bouquet of 57 roses.

President Eisenhower's address to both Houses of Parliament was realistic, impressive and surprising coming as it did from the Republican President. The majority of the Republican Party has always favored isolationism and high tariffs; Eisenhower advocated neither of these, rather the opposite. It was the speech of a good neighbor who considered us equal partners. He spoke of our mutual

protective efforts but added "The purpose is defence, we have no other aim". "Your country, my country, each is better, stronger and more influential because each can rely upon every resource of the other in days of crises. Out of this partnership has evolved a progressive prosperity and a general well being mutually beneficial, that is without parallel on earth". He hoped that our example would be recognized by other nations and applied to relationships among themselves.

With regard to tariffs he said "The free world must come to recognize that trade barriers, although intended to protect a country's economy, often in fact shackled its prosperity". He did not promise any immediate change in the United States fiscal policy or a reduction in tariffs but he did advocate the establishment of a joint committee to study our economic and trade problems and means for their equitable solution.

He expressed confidence that by this method the best interests of both countries will be promoted. He expressed himself in favor of joint development and use of the St. Lawrence waterway. He said he considered this measure a vital addition to our economic and national security. He stated that his cabinet favored it on both security and economic grounds and expressed the hope that ways and means for assuring American co-operation in this great project would be approved during the coming session of Congress. We hope he is right. Our government has always believed this should be a joint effort of our two countries. However, up to the present there has been a powerful group in both the Senate and the House of Congress who have been able to prevent their joining in with us on this project.

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Pioneer Of Bellis Dies At Lac la Biche At 76

Mr. William Robert McCormick passed away at Lac la Biche on December 8 at the age of 76. On Thursday evening Rev. Greenough directed a family prayer service from Lakeview Funeral Home. Burial service was held Friday from Lac la Biche United Church, with Rev. Greenough officiating.

Mr. McCormick leaves to mourn him his wife, of Lac la Biche; six daughters and five sons: Kenny of Lumby, B.C., Hector of Lac la Biche, Donald of Prince George, B.C.; Mrs. Edna Melnyk of Edmonton; Mrs. Alice Hunchuk of Rentia, B.C., Flight Lt. George McCormick of Montreal, Mrs. Anne Wasyk of Edmonton, Mrs. Mae Scorszy of Rio Grande, Alberta, Mrs. Violet Aabak of Lac la Biche, Johnny, of Edmonton, and Kathleen of Edmonton; also thirty grandchildren.

Mr. McCormick was born in Renfrew, Ontario, in 1877. In 1901 he came west to Fort Saskatchewan, where he worked, till 1906, when he came to Bellis as a pioneer. He

was the first person to open a blacksmith's shop in Bellis. A few years later he married Kate Maraniuk.

Mr. McCormick saw Bellis grow to what it is today from nothing. Mr. McCormick was the last of the old timers who came to Bellis in 1906 and who lived here after.

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Mr. Philip Lafave is back at Noral after holidaying for two weeks. He has sold his Austin car and is now driving a Ford.

Mr. Freddie Henson of Edmonton is spending the week-end with his parents.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Pete Kotch on the birth of a daughter. Mr. Kotch is formerly from Noral.

Mr. Maurice Hoflin and Albert were home from Imperial Mills for a brief visit. Mr. Hoflin stayed home and Albert was accompanied back by Ernie Hoflin and Robert Hansen.

This will be the last news for this year, so the writer wishes everyone a Merry Christmas.

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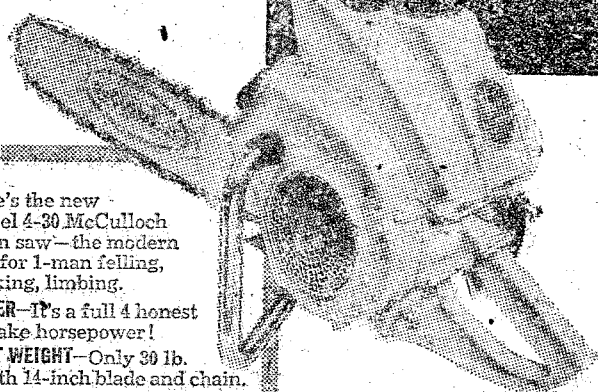
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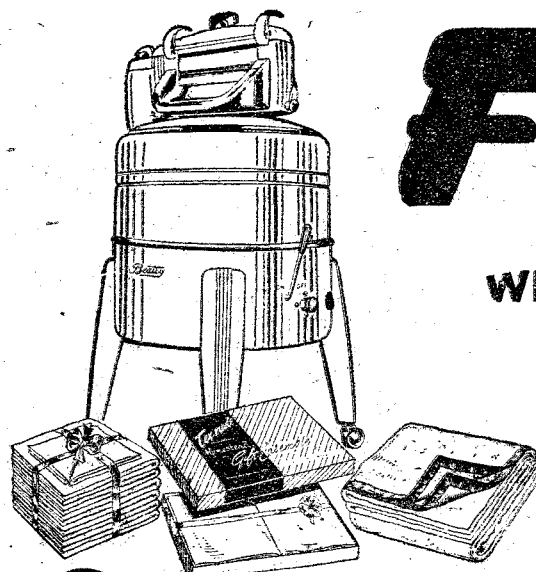
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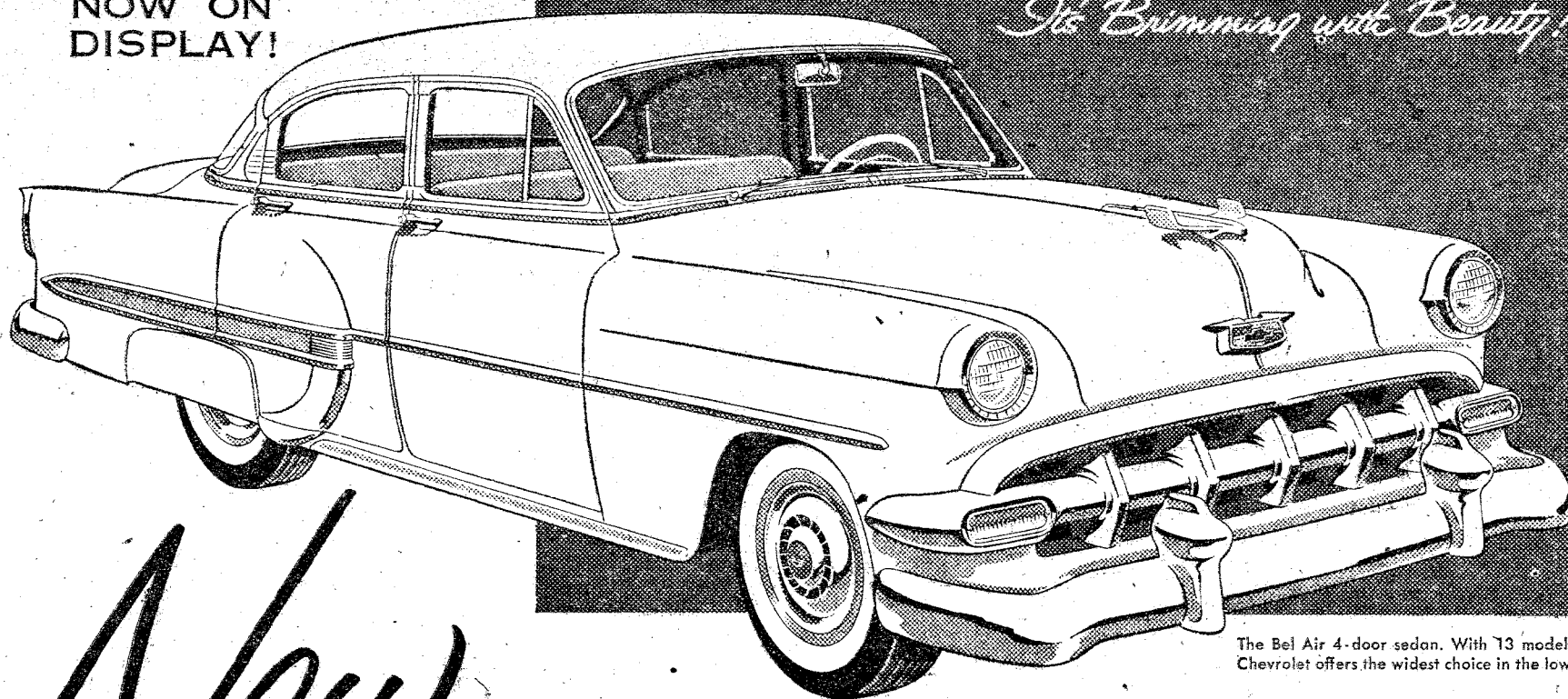
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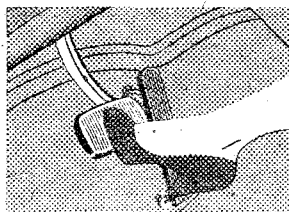
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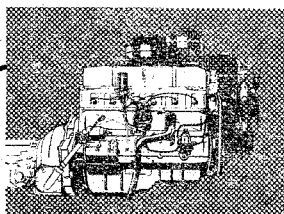
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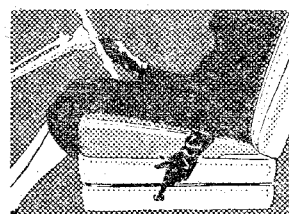


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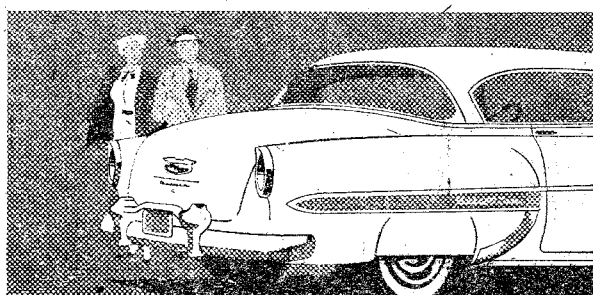
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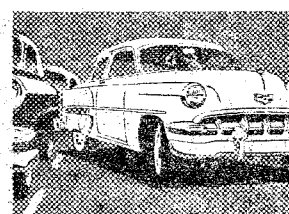
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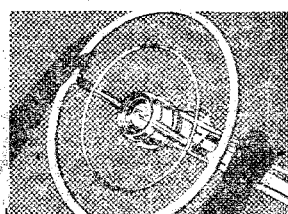
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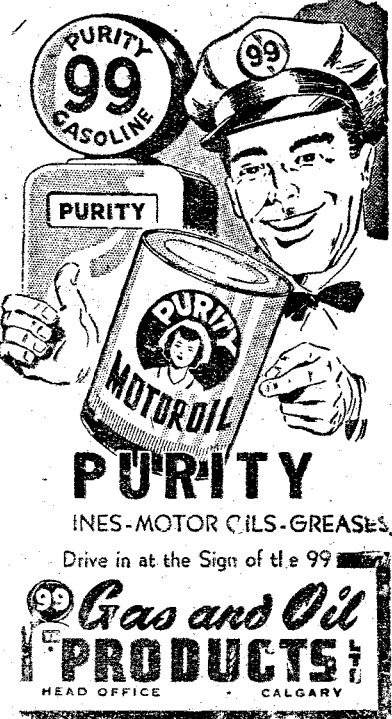
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 2 cups apple juice
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 1/4 tsp. cinnamon
 Few drops of red coloring
 3 medium sized apples
 Melt butter in 10-inch skillet. Blend in flour. Gradually stir in apple juice and sugar mixed with cinnamon. Cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Add sliced, unpared apples. Bring mixture to a boil. Add red coloring.
 1 1/2 cups of flour
 1/4 cup sugar
 2 tsp. baking powder
 1/2 tsp. nutmegs
 1/4 tsp. salt
 2 tbsp. shortening
 2-3 cup milk

Sift dry ingredients together, cut shortening and add milk. Mix until flour is dampened. Drop by tablespoonfuls on to boiling apple mixture. Reduce flame; cover and steam gently for 20 minutes. Serve warm with cream. Serves eight.

Both the above Favorite Recipes come from Mrs. Philippe Bilodeau-Vimy, Alta.

LEMON COOKIES

(Or Ammonia Biscuits)

2 1/2 cups white sugar
 1 cup butter or shortening (mixed)
 2 eggs
 Pinch salt
 1 pint sweet milk
 5 cents oil of lemon
 5 cents Baking pulverized ammonia

Cream sugar, butter, eggs, oil of lemon. Dissolve ammonia in milk and add salt. Strain through cheese cloth then add to creamed ingredients and enough flour to make a stiff dough.

Get baking ammonia and oil of lemon at druggist. As this is an old recipe these articles will cost more. But the druggist can give you the equivalent in quantity to price charged long ago. Probably 10c or 15c now.

In writing to us our contributor says of this recipe: It is a very old one. I tried for years to get it, as it was my very favorite cookie. Finally I got it from Mrs. Frank Ford, the milk rancher's wife, who had quite a job to get it. She is 78 now.

There must be lots of elderly people who remember this cookie as it was a general favorite years ago, and makes quite a batch. I am now 60 and I can still remember how crazy I was about them when I was five years old.

This is my very favorite recipe, and one I cherish as I thought I would never be able to get it.

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Jinks—The Colonel stutters with a Chamberlain accent.

Jenks—What's that mean?

Jinks—If you're standing within range—you need an umbrella.

WATER SUPPLY NEEDS THRIVING FORESTS, SAYS HON. IVAN CASEY

WINNIPEG—In a public statement to the prairie provinces branch of the Canadian Forestry Association, Hon. Ivan Casey, Minister of Lands and Forests of Alberta, declares that "any serious depletion of forest cover in the west and north of Alberta must inevitably have a grave effect upon our whole economy."

Emphasizing that the control and conservation of water for Alberta's farm lands is dependent upon the management of the forest resources, the minister says:

"The renewable resources of any area of land are of inestimable value to the welfare and prosperity of its citizens. In Albert we have been blessed with grazing land, forests and agricultural land which at the present time are the basis for an ever growing population. Our forests, in addition to their commercial value, are the key to a stable and balanced economy in Alberta. They are largely responsible for the favourable agricultural possibilities since they are the source of much of the water so necessary for agriculture in the central and eastern parts of the province.

"Recently we have undertaken, and are completing, the aerial photography of the Province and are following this with a complete forest inventory. From this inventory we will compile the information necessary to institute policies of forest management on a long term basis. From this survey we also anticipate the development of proper protective measures to prevent devastation by fire, the great destroyer of our forests. In this work an informed and co-operative public support is essential. Compliance with forest regulations will prevent the destruction of timber, the erosion, flooding and loss of water which inevitably follow forest fires."

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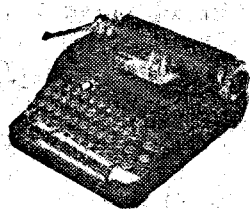
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ROSE FLUET.

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Upon looking out the window and seeing my busybody friend coming to spend another of her days with me, I quickly sent my little girl out. Running to meet my lady friend, I could hear my little girl hollering at the top of her voice: "Mommy said to tell you she isn't home."

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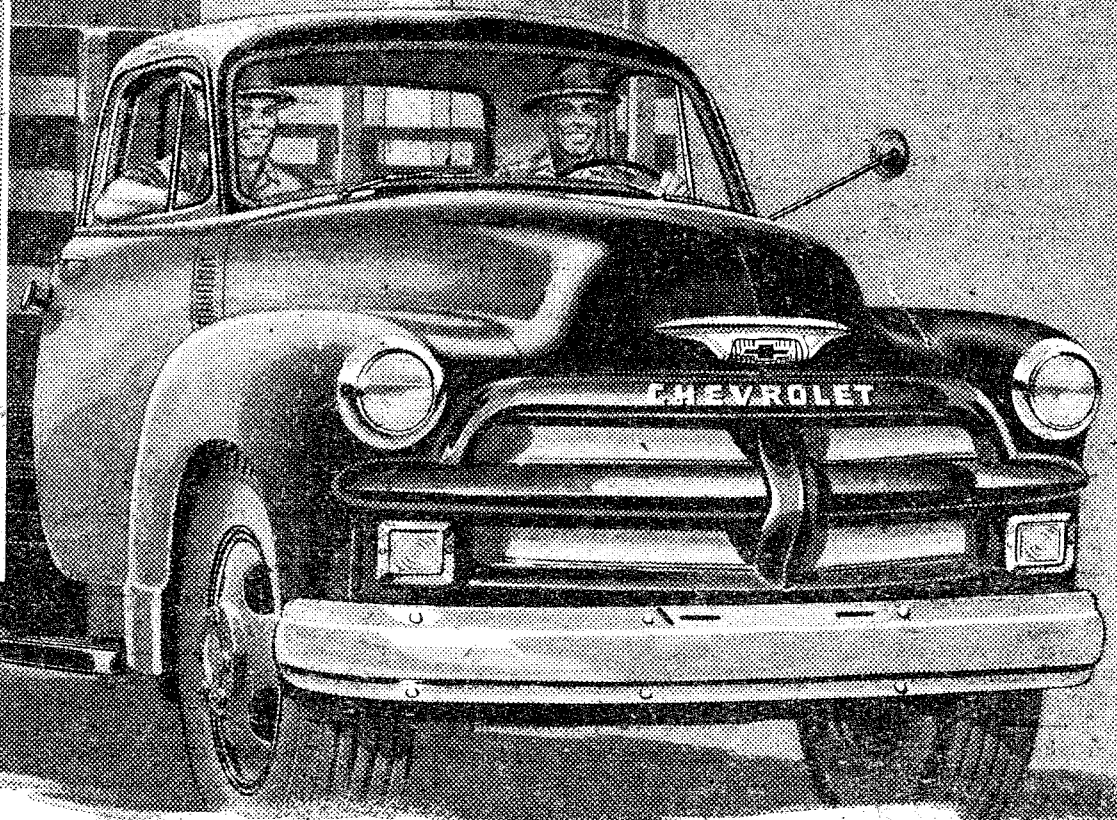
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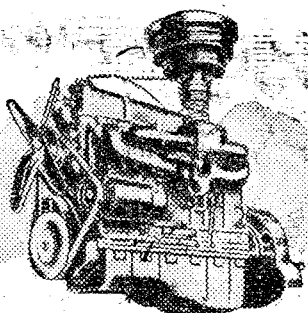
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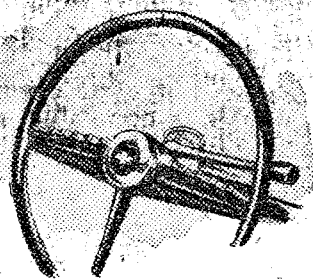
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Successful Calf Club Organized With 15 Members

PLAMONDON—A very successful calf club, sponsored by the Plamondon Agricultural Society, has been organized in the Plamondon district.

There are now 15 members, boys and girls from 12 to 18 years who have entered grade stock. It was organized by Mr. S. Lore, the agriculturist in Lac La Biche, and is also supervised by him.

An Achievement Day will be held in Plamondon in June, when prizes will be given to boys or girls showing the best calves. During the summer, all the northern calf clubs will gather in Edmonton for an exhibition and sale of their calves. A grand prize will be offered there.

The leader of the club is Martin Schaub, Secretary, Miss Marie Schaub; President is Joe L'heureux,

of Egg Lake; Vice-President, Andre Piquette. Supervisors are Father Ricard and Oscar Schaub.

A successful bingo and card party was held on the 13th. Proceeds were for the calf club.

Helina

People are having difficulty getting out as the roads are badly drifted around here. Earl Whelen was out till 10 o'clock the other night opening some of the roads in order to get the children to school.

Week-end visitors from Edmonton at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Keldson were Lorne Carruthers and Allen Keldson.

Alfred Tricker made a business trip to Fort Saskatchewan and Edmonton. Stanly Pierce accompanied him on the trip. While in Edmonton Stanly will get a check-up from the doctor.

St. Catherine's Hospital Report

Patients from Dec. 9th to 16th, 1953, at the hospital were: A. S. Bulmer, Caslan; Mrs. Joseph Langevin, Lac la Biche; J. Klein, Lac la Biche; David Rizzoli, Lac la Biche; John Gordey, Wandering River; Peter McCafferty, Vermilion; Margaret St-Jean, Plamondon; Irene Gagnier, Edmonton; Ronald Gormain, Plamondon; Carlo E. Marchesi, Mylo; Edgar Hebert, Normandeau.

Births recorded were: To Mr. and Mrs. Moise Desjarlais, Lac la Biche, a son, Dec. 10; to Mr. and Mrs. Hilaire Ladouceur, Lac la Biche Mission, a son, Dec. 13; to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kolach, Frains, a daughter, Dec. 15; and to Mr. and Mrs. Metro Lewiski, Mylo, a daughter, Dec. 15.

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Miss L. Dupperron Bride Of Mr. R. Plamondon

PLAMONDON — A beautiful marriage ceremony was performed by Bishop Philip Lussier on November 24, 1953, at Plamondon, when Miss Lena Dupperron became the bride of Rosaire Plamondon. They were married at a high mass at 10:30 in the morning. It was the first marriage performed by His Excellency since he became bishop. The bride wore a lovely floor-length white nylon silk and lace gown with trailing veil and a beautiful rhinestone coronet.

Bridesmaids were Miss Josephine Dupperron, the bride's sister, and Miss Marie Boulanger, the bride's niece. Each wore a floor-length gown with matching accessories. The best men were Roger Dain and Wilbert Plamondon.

Lorraine St. Jean, aged 5, dressed in a long mauve dress, was a charming little flower-girl. Leonard Plamondon, also aged 5, was page boy.

After the marriage ceremony, a full-course dinner was served to 84 guests, all relatives of the bride and groom, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Plamondon. A beautiful three-tiered wedding cake graced the bride's table. A buffet supper was served before the guests departed for the wedding dance in the Community Hall at which 250 people attended. Lunch was served in the hall. The music was by Mr. Emile Plamondon's orchestra.

The newlyweds will make their home in Plamondon.

Each community uses its own Christmas Seal Sale funds for prevention of tuberculosis in the area.

Grassland

Mrs. Romanyshyn's brother is visiting her at Grassland from Hollow Lake, Alberta.

Mr. and Mrs. Derko are visiting in Edmonton. Mrs. Podoluk is in charge of the business until they return.

Peter Fresch is driving for Walter Corso and Wilfred Johnson for Nick Derko, both trucks being on the lumber haul.

Bruce Kritze was taken to hospital at Lac La Biche this week, and was later taken to an Edmonton hospital. Bruce is said to be suffering from a dislocated vertebra, the result of an accident some time ago, when a horse rolled on him.

Orville "Red" Kanzig and his wife paid a surprise visit to Grassland on Monday. Mr. Kanzig left the district 19 years ago, and he is now working in the State of Washington. The visitors are at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson.

Kikino

Mr. Pete Gairdner of Edmonton has been trucking out loads of lumber from here to Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Wilson moved to their new home on December 9th at the colony at Casian. They have a nice home there.

Mr. Lawrence Lavallee and R. Lavallee of Brosseau were here on

Sunday to see about their ranch and while here, their car burnt up.

Gloria Thompson of McRae spent a week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Thompson of Kikino.

A dance was held in the hall last Friday. They cleared around \$20, which goes to the children's concert.



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Curling And Skating Rinks Nearing Completion

LAC LA BICHE — After many months of patient labor the curling rink is nearing completion. The rink was built entirely as a community effort with all labor being supplied by the people during their off-hours. Curling should start very early in the New Year.

With the return of slightly colder weather, flooding on the skating rink went into high gear and is now ready for skating. During the fall considerable work had been done on leveling the grounds and as a result the ice is much more level this year. The dressing room still needs some renovations but this will be done in the very near future.

Skating hours and hockey practicing nights will also soon be arranged. The juke box is being readied for action so that skaters can look forward to having musical accompaniment.

Various organizations of the town have been very generous in helping the rink committee out financially, and the committee expresses their heart-felt thanks.

Workers, Students Arrive To Spend Christmas At Home

LAC LA BICHE—The week-end saw many students, some from the University of Alberta, arriving home for a few days of celebration and well-earned rest. While many workers and students from various parts of the province were converging on Lac la Biche for the festive season, others were leaving for their homes in all parts of the province. Many of the teachers will also be departing for their homes and a few days of rest and festivity. During the past week both students and teachers had been strenuously struggling away with the Christmas examinations.

Caslan

The health nurses visited the Caslan school on December 7. Some of the mothers took their preschool children there.

Mrs. Tom Coulter was an Edmonton visitor this past week.

The folks enjoyed another good show which was held at the Caslan school last Monday.

Mr. N. Koshman returned home from the city last week.

Miss Gladys Henson spent the week-end in Lac la Biche.

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HE'S ALL SET FOR CHRISTMAS



DEBORAH KERR presents her favorite pooch with a sprig of Hollywood holly for Christmas, so ever since, the hound has been sniffing around the fireplace waiting for his Christmas gifts. He has the expectant look of any bright youngster at this time of year.

Radioactive Atoms At Work At University Cancer Clinic

EDMONTON (BUP)—Radioactive atoms have gone to work at the University hospital providing a cheap substitute for radium in treatment of cancer patients at Alberta's first radioisotope laboratory.

The laboratory was under development for three years. A grant of \$9,000 from the Alberta division of the Canadian Cancer Society started the project while the provincial health department supplied two federal government health grants for staff training and the University hospital provided space for the laboratory.

The isotopes which provide the basis for the treatment are atoms which have been made radioactive by exposure to the radiation of nuclear reactors such as those at Chalk River, Ont. These artificially-produced isotopes are much cheaper than the natural radioactive isotope of radium and are used widely as substitutes for radium in radiation therapy.

The isotopes are used primarily for the treatment of cancer and the diagnosis of cancer and other diseases. The radiations kill or arrest the growth of cancer cells by coming in direct contact with them through the bloodstream.

Other isotopes being used are iodine-131 for treatment of cancer of the thyroid gland and radioactive gold to reduce the accumulations of fluid which come with advanced cancer.

The laboratory consists of two sections, the "high activity" area in which the radioactive substances are received, standardized, and made up in solutions, and the area in which radiations are detected from within the body of patients by scintillation counters.

Local Fishermen Out In Full Force

LAC LA BICHE—With the opening of a considerable number of lakes to commercial fishing, the local fishermen were out in full force filling their lockers. Although much of the fish is being exported, a large quantity is being stored at the Fish Pool and in private lockers for mink food during the months when the lakes will be closed.

Former Postmaster Leaves For Grassland

RICH LAKE — A farewell surprise party was held in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bennett at their home recently. An enjoyable time was had by all. They have made their new home at Grassland, Alta.

Mr. Bennett was the postmaster of Fork Lake post office for the last 15 years. They will both be missed by friends and relatives of this district.

M.D. ATHABASCA

Expropriations Made for Two More Sections of District Roadways

MEANOOK—By-laws were passed at the November meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Athabasca to provide for two additional expropriations. This is in preparation for road work next year.

Large Crowd Attends Recent Chicken Supper

RICH LAKE, Alta. — A large crowd attended the chicken supper and dance held in the Rich Lake school Nov. 20. Proceeds will go for the children's Christmas gifts and treats. A concert will be held at the school here next week.

The lucky winners for the ticket raffle were Louise Suhan, a pair of pillow cases; and Joan Tilckanen won a box of chocolates.

Lac la Biche

Mr. F. McMillan and Mr. R. Mariner attended a meeting of North-eastern District Representatives of the Councillors of the ATA at Vilna.

The town sewer and water project is making excellent headway. Students will be happy to learn that they will be able to make use of the indoor plumbing facilities.

The Lac la Biche Hockey Team challenged the boys from Bonnyville recently and lost a close 7-5 decision.

Mr. George Courtney of Yellowknife, N.W.T., is here visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Courtney during the holiday season.

The WI Bowling League has completed the first half of a successful bowling schedule. The team captained by Miss A. Courtney took the cup. They defeated the team captained by Mrs. P. Sampietro. Individual scores of the winning team were: Courtney 182, Lemay 220, McIntyre 134, Romanuk 169, Myskiw 185.

Returns To Germany After Twenty Years

PLAMONDON — Mr. Louis Brockhage, who came to Canada from Germany 20 years ago, has gone back home. When he first came to this country, Mr. Brockhage took a government job at a far northern post in Aklavik. He later started a mink-ranch in Plamondon by the lake-shore, and won several prizes for his mink.

Many of his friends gathered at his place on the 10th to wish him a "bon voyage." On the 14th he took the bus to Edmonton.

He will go to Germany by boat from Halifax.

Retail food prices in 1954 will stay close to this year's levels, Washington predicts.

By-Law No. 318: Moved by Councillor Lynk that Council expropriate a road through the centre of Section 18-66-22-4, North and South, and that we offer the owners of the land, as compensation for the land taken and for damages, a sum equal to 2½ times the assessed value of the land taken, and council will fence if required by the owners. —Carried

By-law No. 318 of The Municipal District of Athabasca No. 103.

A by-law pursuant to Section 201 of The Municipal District Act.

Whereas it is deemed necessary that a road be built through the centre of Section 18-66-22-4, North and South, and whereas such road will necessarily cross private property, namely the above mentioned land, therefore be it resolved that such land be acquired under Section 201, of the Municipal District Act, for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned, and that we offer the owners of the said land, as compensation for the land taken, and for damages, a sum equal to 2½ times the assessed value of the land taken, and council will fence if required by the owners.

Received first and second reading, and by unanimous consent of all the councillors present, a third reading, and finally passed this 12th day of November, A.D. 1953.

By-Law No. 321: Moved by Councillor Wright that Council expropriate one rod from the South side of the S.W. 1-66-21-4, and two acres along the South side of the S.E. 2-66-21-4, comprising an area 20 rods East and West and 16 rods North and South, in approximately the centre of the south side of the quarter, for a road and borrow pit, and that we offer the owners of the lands as compensation for the land taken and for damages, a sum equal to 2½ times the assessed value of the land taken, and Council will supply 2 spools of wire and 60 fence posts. —Carried

By-Law No. 321 of the Municipal District of Athabasca No. 103.

Whereas it is deemed necessary that a road and borrow pit be expropriated approximately one rod in width along the South side of the S.E. 2-66-21-4, and an area of approximately two acres along the South side of the S.E. 2-66-21-4, comprising an area 20 rods East and West, and 16 rods North and South, in approximately the centre of the south side of the quarter, and whereas such road and borrow pit will necessarily cross private property namely the above mentioned

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TO THE PEOPLE OF THE CONSTITUENCY OF ATHABASCA

I am again privileged to bring you the season's greetings. This year perhaps more than many past years, we have reason to enjoy Christmas to the fullest. We have harvested one of the best crops in the history of our district and there seems to be a little ray of sunshine penetrating the black clouds of world turmoil. It looks as though common sense might eventually prevail and that we may devote our time to the betterment rather than to the destruction of mankind.

To you, Mr. Editor, who so generously offered the space of your valuable paper, I extend my heartfelt gratitude and most filicitious of season's greetings.

In the hope that each and every coming year will bring you better things, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

—A. ALOISIO, M.L.A.,

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE M.D. OF ATHABASCA

Once more we are happy to be able to wish you all the season's greetings. For many years now we have enjoyed the mutual good will that has always existed between the ratepayers and the municipal council. We shall do our utmost to see that this goodwill remains in the future.

Together, we thank the almighty God for the abundance which he so lavishly bestowed upon us this year and we pray that He will influence us all with love and kindness for our fellow man.

We thank the editor for this space allotted us and wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

—The Council and Office Staff of the M.D. of Athabasca.

A. ALOISIO, Reeve.



Oliver and May Wilson, Peel county, say they enjoy the wide circle of friends they have met through the JFO. In Peel county, the organization raised enough money to build a \$30,000 fair grounds exhibition hall. Their slogan is self-help and community betterment.

Local Namao Officer in Royal Canadian Navy Receives Queen's Commendation

At divisions, aboard HMCS Nonsuch, Tuesday evening, Dec. 8, Lieut. A. J. Woods, RCN, Officer-in-Charge, Naval Detachment, Central Experimental and Proving Establishment, Namao, was presented the Queen's Commendation for Valuable Service in the air in recognition of outstanding service while flying an experimental type of aircraft.

The citation read as follows: "Lieut. Woods' resourcefulness and ability have, throughout his service, set a high example to his fellow men. Recently, while flying a ferry mission in a jet aircraft, Lieut. Woods experienced a flameout at 30,000 feet. Unable to effect a relight he set up a glide for an airfield some 60 miles distant. Through judicious use of radio aids available and excellent handling technique he descended through a solid cloud layer, based at 2,000 feet, and carried out a successful landing at this field. Two days later in the same aircraft, Lieut. Woods experienced another engine failure and again glided some 60 miles to a successful landing on an airfield. His coolness and excellent judgment in these two emergencies

saved a valuable aircraft from damage or destruction and reflect considerable credit on himself and his service."

The presentation was made by Lieut.-Cmdr. L. J. Garrett, on behalf of the Commanding Officer, HMCS Nonsuch.

4-H. Club Hold Five Meetings

WESTLOCK—A total of five meetings of the Lac la Biche 4-H Club have been held at the Dr.

Swift School, with an average of twelve members in attendance. The first year group is working on a sewing kit and hanger cover; while the second year group is working on slips.

At a meeting in November, the District Home Economist, Miss Joyce McCutcheon, was present. During the meeting Maureen Kelly, efficiency winner for 1952-1953, was presented with a pair of pink shears by Miss McCutcheon, on behalf of the T. Eaton Co.

The Lac la Biche 4-H Club is sponsored by the Women's Institute. Mrs. Kelly is the leader. She is assisted by Mrs. Gatzke and Miss Bakay. Mrs. McMillan assists with the under age group.

Christmas Greetings . . . !



To our many friends and loyal customers we express the time-honoured wish

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Ours will be a Happy New Year if you patronize us just as well in 1954 as you did in 1953! Thank you all!

Forecast Light Hopper Damage

EDMONTON (BUP)—The Alberta Department of Agriculture forecasts that the province will have only a light infestation of grasshoppers next year and that serious crop damage is not expected.

Crop Protection Supervisor W. Lobay said a survey of southern districts indicates that light infestation of grasshoppers will be evident in the Lethbridge, Champion, Taber-Medicine Hat and Walsh regions. There may also be localized outbreaks in certain sections of the Peace River.

Lobay said the grasshoppers will be confined mostly to alfalfa crops, but that dry spring weather conditions and delayed crop growth could increase the hazard.

Farmers were advised to obtain aldrin sprays from grasshopper stations throughout the province.

Diver Can't Swim

NEWARK, N.J.—Although Frank E. Gilman, 70, is still working as a diver, he has never learned to swim. Born near the sea at Houlton, Maine, Gilman declares: "When I get into the water, seems like I sink like a rock."

Merry Christmas TO ALL!

May the spirit of Christmas be with you this Holiday!



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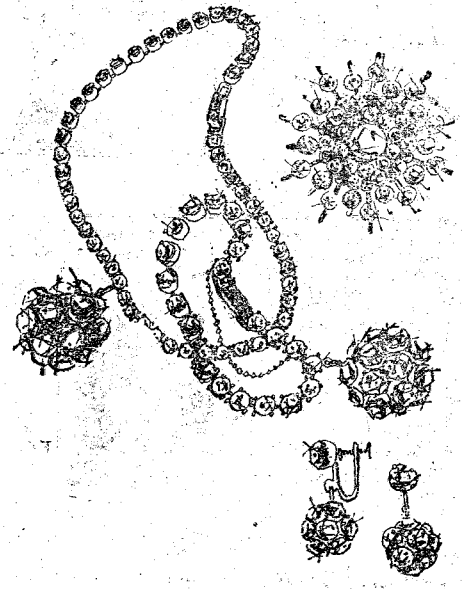
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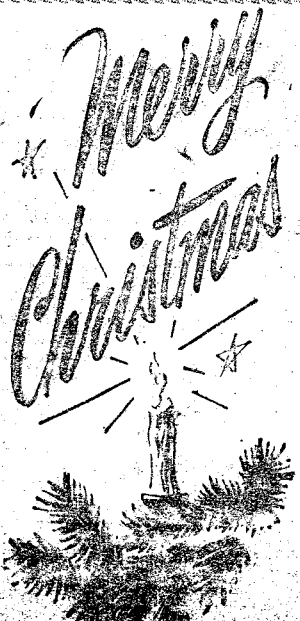


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Rudolph and the Blue-Nosed Reindeer

By Robert L. May

News Oddities

1 Day In Jail

Impresses Boy

TULSA, Okla. — Charged with participating in an armed robbery, an 18-year-old boy, Jim Glen Kimball, was ordered by the judge to tour Oklahoma's State Prison, remain there over night and think about living behind the stone walls. The boy's report impressed the judge, who then placed him on five years' probation. The boy has been in no further trouble.

Kills Bear

With Stone

Lewistown, Mont. — Noticing a brown bear among the cattle they were branding on the ranch of John Stanley, cowboys lassoed the animal from the opposite ends and then a helper, Dave Matovich, killed the roped bear with a stone. The bear was estimated to weigh about 500 pounds.

Steals From Blind

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Leroy Herman Ashley, 32-year-old Indian, is being held under \$1,000 bond, charged with stealing a 25-cent sandwich from a blind operator of a newsstand.

Gifts Surprise All

SOUTH OGDEN, Utah. — For the past several days, Mrs. Grant B. Ferguson has received \$1,200 worth of furniture as birthday gifts, but her husband didn't know anything about it. The gifts have been purchased by someone who writes bad checks, always for a little more than the cost of the presents, which have included two TV sets, an electric range, hot water heater and an electric roaster. All were delivered to the Ferguson home.

Dinner Explodes

KANSAS CITY — Mr. and Mrs. Harry Christopher and their fourteen guests were robbed of their Thanksgiving dinner when a pressure cooker, being used by Mrs. Christopher, exploded, hurling a beef roast, potatoes and gravy against the ceiling.

Steal For Crowd

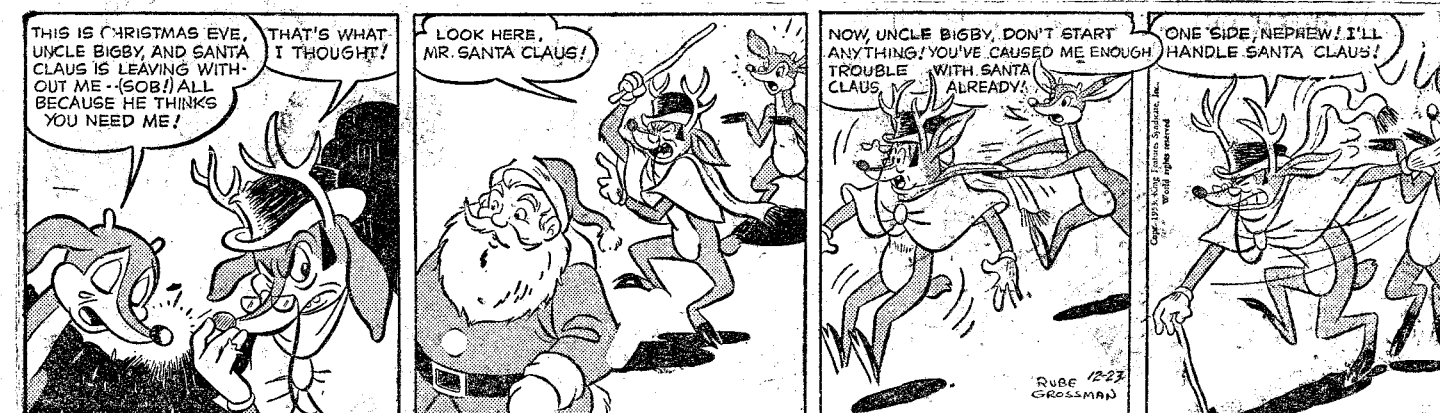
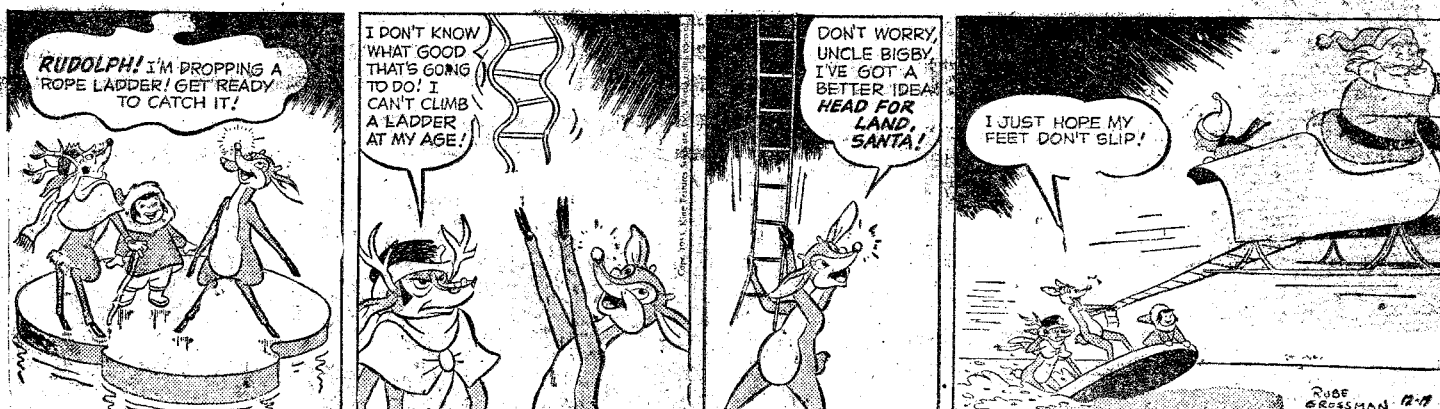
CLEVELAND, Ohio — Thieves, laying in supplies for what must have been a big underworld Thanksgiving dinner, took 50 turkeys, 90 chickens, 15 geese, 20 cartons of cigarettes, two boxes of cigars and \$280 from three separate stores.

TV A Teacher

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — Recently, the two-year-old son of John Begue, TV announcer, saw his daddy, as part of a commercial, take a knife and rip apart two mattresses to reveal their insides. Johnnie was sufficiently impressed to try the same experiment on two new mattresses recently purchased for the Begue household.

No Profit

Chicago, Ill. — A bandit entered a popcorn shop and asked for a bag of popcorn. As Miss Phyllis Carlson, a saleswoman, held out the sack and rang up the sale, the robber grabbed \$147 from the cash register and fled. Bystanders and a traffic cop chased the man, who shed his coat, ran into a subway station and jumped into a train just as it pulled out. In the discarded jacket, however, the police found \$177.37.



Cattlemen Warned That Beef Prices Can't Be Set By 'Inflated' Values

EDMONTON (BUP)—A. Ellett, President of the Alberta Provincial Cattle Breeders' Association has asserted that cattlemen cannot expect to set beef price standards by the "inflated" 1951-52 values.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the association last night, Ellett pointed out that the producers' return is down 30 per cent from the 1951 and 1952 returns. "This is no real comparison," he said, "as the average consumption per person rises when the price of beef drops."

Ellett pointed to figures of consumption in 1952, when a low ebb of 55 pounds of beef per person was produced, due to the high price of the beef.

R. H. Painter, livestock insect liaison officer, reported that it is "quite unnecessary" to have insect-infected animals because there are inadequate control methods and chemicals available.

The delegates to the association meeting also heard a report from R. P. Gibb, secretary of the Ed-

monton Milk Producers' Association. Gibb stated that an artificial B breeding unit has been operating in the Edmonton milkshed for 10 days, designed to improve the quality of dairy cattle. There are about 1,800 animals listed for the service, he stated, with another 1,200 expected.

Local Boxers Show Good Talent At Bout

WILLOW RIDGE—On Dec. 12 the local boxing club was represented on the Dapp fight card. Each one of the boys found the competition very keen and displayed prowess admirably.

Ross Speers won the bout vs. Gerald Dunfield of Dapp and Dale Benham won the decision vs. Wayne Jarvis of Westlock. Neil Speers and Derril Benham put up tough battles but lost.

Dale again won a prize for the best left hand, and Derril one for being the best loser.



YULETIDE GREETINGS

May each and every one of customers and friends find this a Very Happy Holiday.

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Plan \$15 Million Expansion For Oil Refineries

EDMONTON (BUP) — A \$15,000,000 expansion program involving two major oil refineries promises increased activity for Strathcona's booming industry row.

Officials of Imperial Oil Co. announced plans for addition of an \$11,000 lubricating plant to their refinery and work is slated to start soon on a \$4,000,000 expansion of the McColl-Frontenac oil refinery.

The Imperial lubricating plant, the first such large establishment to be built in the west, will go up on a 15-acre site alongside the present refinery. The plant will employ an additional 100 workers, and will produce 750,000 barrels annually of high quantity automotive and industrial oils.

The McColl-Frontenac expansion program will double the refinery's capacity, from 5,500 to 11,000 barrels of oil daily.

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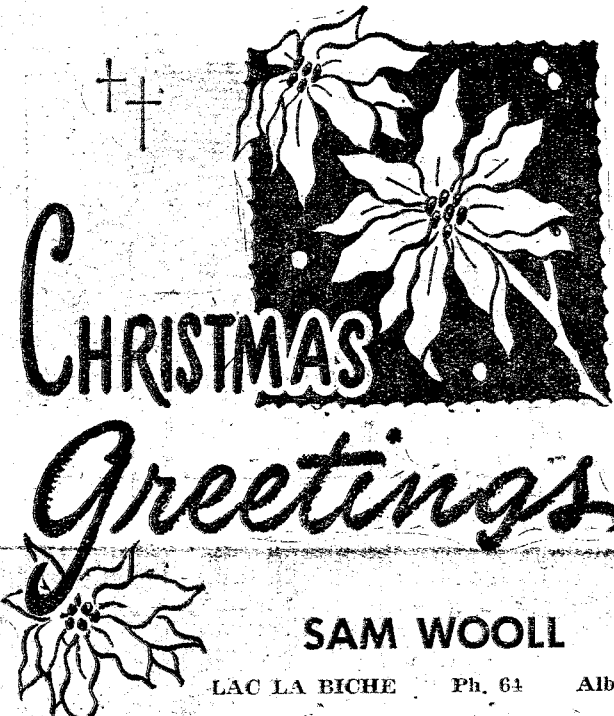
Mrs. Joe Lovely returned home after spending two weeks in the "Swedish Massage Clinic," 6722 81 St., Edmonton, where she was taking treatments for arthritis. She attended classes for diets on how to eat right to live right.

Truman and Kenneth Lund left Thursday morning for a two-month trip to New York where they will visit Mr. and Mrs. Hautmann and Mr. and Mrs. James Lund.



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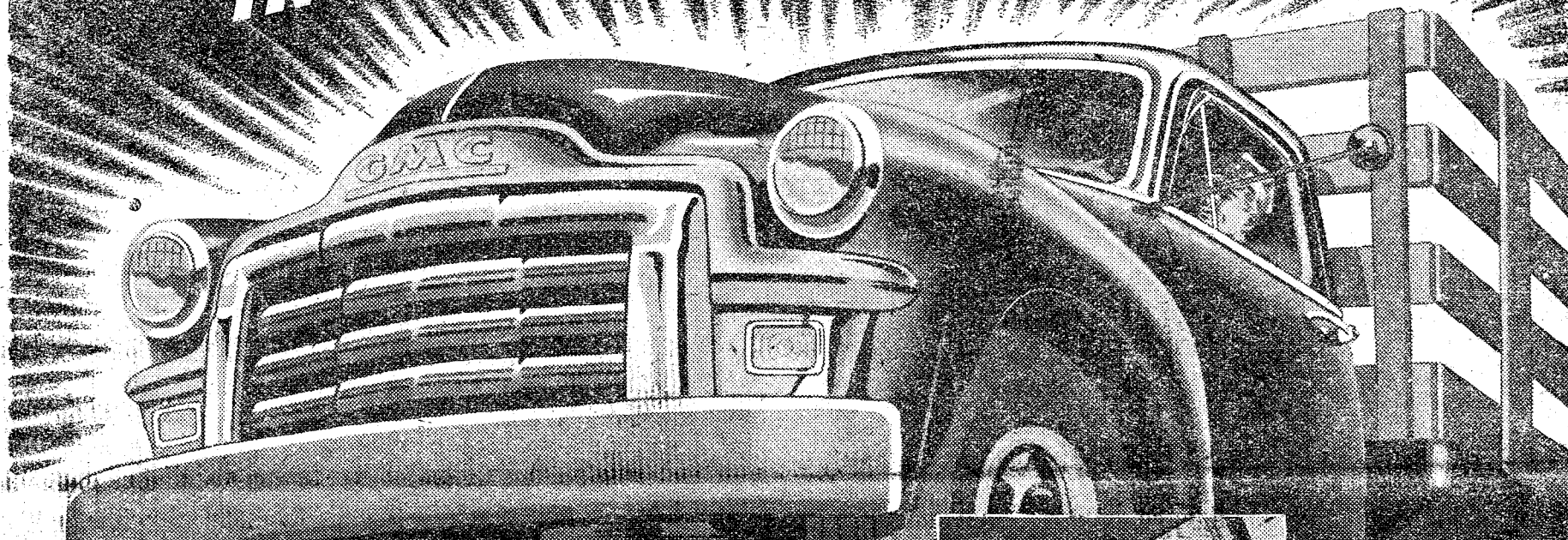
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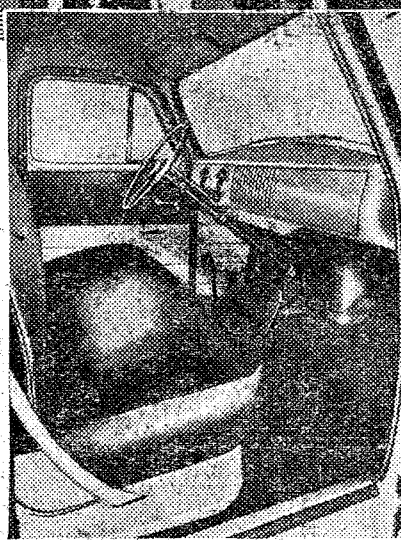


Yes, the new GMC is ready to go—ready to bring you new heights in pulling power, carrying power, and staying power. It's handsomer too with its massive redesigned front end, new headlight spacing and driver-planned cabs.

But this year the GMC story is truly a power story. In over 50 models you can choose from the widest range of engines, transmissions and axles on the market. From this brilliant range of power units you can get the exact combination to haul your specific loads with the highest efficiency.

And though new efficient power is a big feature it is just one of the many which makes

GMC outstanding. There's over 70 new features in all—and every last one is designed to give higher performance, greater profit, greater comfort and convenience. Nothing has been overlooked in the forward march to bring you a truck that's filled with power, that's built to take the heaviest loads over the roughest going and come back for more. Ask your dealer to explain the brilliant, new advances that can be yours in 1954. You'll see immediately how they'll mean great new benefits to you in your business. Then choose the one model in 50 that's exactly right for your requirements and be ready to go for more profits in any trucking job.

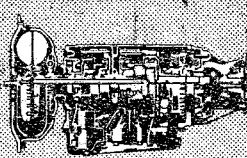


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NEW HYDRA-MATIC TRANSMISSION



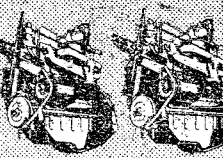
Here's the feature you've been waiting for. The 9300 and 9400 series now have a new Hydra-Matic transmission which eliminates clutch and gear shifting. It also selects the right gear for any load and any condition.

NEW GRAIN-TIGHT PICK-UP BODIES



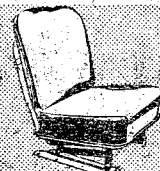
Now you can carry sand or grain loose in the pick-up box with no leakage. And the boxes are deeper this year, giving a lower loading height. Even the tailgate is stronger with new safety catch that eliminates rattles.

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Expropriations Made For Two More . . .

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lands, therefore be it resolved that such land be acquired under Section 201 of The Municipal District Act, for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned, and that we offer the owners of the lands as compensation for the land taken, and for damages, a sum equal to 2 1/4 times the assessed value of the land taken, and council will supply 2 spools of wire, and 60 fence posts.

The regular meeting of M.D. of Athabasca No. 103, attended by Reeve Aloisio, Councillor Botten, Breckenridge, Lynk, Derko and Doroshenko, was called to order by the Reeve at 10:20 p.m. Thursday, November 12th. The reading of the minutes and the financial statement followed.

Moved by Reeve Aloisio that S. Sharko be authorized to cut saw logs on the N.E. 18-64-24-4, upon payment of \$6.00 per M.

—Carried

Moved by Councillor Breckenridge that the Reeve, Secretary and Welfare Officer be authorized to attend the civil defence course at Edmonton, from November 30th to December 5th inclusive.

—Carried

Moved by Councillor Lynk that Council approve of the construction of an electric power line by the West Athabasca R.E.A.

—Carried

Moved by Councillor Breckenridge that the Meanook Community Club be authorized to build a skating and curling rink, in the Hamlet of Meanook.

—Carried

Moved by Councillor Derko that council give M. J. Inicki a permit to move a temporary building on to the S.E. 29-67-18-4, for use as a service station. This permit to be good until April 30th, 1954, when he must build a new building.

—Carried

Moved by Reeve Aloisio we give a grant of \$25.00 to the Boyle Women's Institute for their library.

—Carried

By-Law No. 316 of the Municipal

District of Athabasca No. 103.

Under the authority of Section 254 of the Municipal District Act, the Council of the Municipal District of Athabasca No. 103, enacts as follows:

That a grant be made in the sum of \$25.00 to the Boyle Women's Institute Library, for the year 1953.

Received first and second reading, and by unanimous consent of all the Councillors present, a third reading, and finally passed this 12th day of November, A.D. 1953.

A letter was read from S. Shalounik re pay for land taken for a road. Councillor Botten stated he would see him re same.

C. Carlson interviewed the Council re three inch jackpine plank. Council stated they did not know where they stood financially at the present time, and did not want to place an order at the present time. Council stated they would let him know after January 1st, 1954.

Perryvale

Mr. O. J. Waiti left last week to spend a holiday with relatives and friends in La Cross, Wash., and other points in the U.S.A.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Ward had as their guests their daughter Miss Beatrice Ward, and Miss Doreen Jones of Edmonton.

The Girls 4-H Club met on Tuesday, Dec. 15. Following the business a demonstration on "Making a Blouse" was given by Dorothy Kostiw and Gloria Smith, on "Making an Apron" by Jean Anderson, and a talk on "Correct Introductions" by Rose Mynio and Marjorie Roskewich. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Aloisio Sr. have had as their guests Mr. Aloisio's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Aloisio Sr. of Robb, Alta.

The Home and School Association met on Wednesday, Dec. 16. Following the business Mr. R. N. Fallis spoke on the curriculum in Grade 9, 10 and 11 and gave a detailed outline on all the courses being taught here this year. Following this a Christmas quiz was held before lunch was served.

Double Ring Ceremony Unites Couple Recently

PEACE RIVER — A wedding of interest to the district of Colinton took place in Peace River United Church on December 9, 1953, when Madge Blakely and Arthur McInnis were married in a double ring ceremony.

The bride wore a brown suit with white accessories. The bride's sister, Della Blakely, wore a blue suit with white accessories. Best man was Val Blakely.

After the ceremony a reception was held for 125 guests.

Out-of-town visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Redden of Athabasca and Mr. and Mrs. Donat Lamoureux, Colinton, Alta.

Children Entertained By Legion Auxiliary

Athabasca—The Legion Christmas party was a great success again this year, where over a hundred and seventy children were entertained by the auxiliary to the Legion. The kiddies were served a lunch of sandwiches and cookies. They sang songs and Christmas carols, with Mrs. Blacklock at the piano.

The climax of the afternoon arrived when Santa entered with his jolly smile and gave the kiddies a present from the tree and a bag of treats as they left for home.

Colinton

Mr. "Kip" Gravelle and Joe Loisel have been recent patients in the Athabasca Hospital.

Recent visitors to Edmonton include Mrs. Dorothy Gyté, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Loisel, Mr. and Mrs. Wiltse, Mr. and Mrs. John Walli,

Mr. and Mrs. Derosia and family.

Mrs. Donat Lamoureux and Mr. and Mrs. Art Hayward were among lucky winners at the second bingo held in the Athabasca Community centre recently. Winner of the big prize, a home freezer, was Art McLay of Athabasca.

Mrs. Florence Day is helping at the post office during the Christmas rush.

Mr. M. Breckenridge is presently employed at Spurfild, Alta.

If we want a healthy Canada we must find the many people who do not know they have TB. Your TB association is using Christmas Seal funds to find these people. Buy Christmas Seals.

Teacher At Colinton Feted At Pre-Nuptial Shower

ATHABASCA—About 30 guests were present when Mrs. Donohue at Athabasca was hostess at a shower in honor of Barbara Thorne, whose wedding to Harold Ashacker will take place on December 26.

Gifts were presented to the bride around a gaily decorated Christmas tree. Mrs. Kate Lewis, grandmother of the guest of honor, poured tea at the delicious lunch which was served following the opening of the gifts. Miss Thorne is at present a member of the Colinton teaching staff.



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WA Decorates Church For Pleasant Affair

ATHABASCA — The Anglican Church Hall was opened in grand style on Thursday evening, and was a very pleasant affair. The ladies of the WA did a wonderful job in camouflaging the walls with very pretty decorations. Mrs. Duffield acted as hostess for the evening, with Miss Glenda Lewis and Miss Dorothy Minns in attendance at the door. There was a wonderful display of candies, house plants, Christmas table decorations, fancy work and knitted garments, which were all made and donated by the

ladies of the WA. Nearly everything was sold.

A program was supplied by local talent, which was arranged by Mrs. C. H. Parker and Mrs. A. LaBrie. The Hendy girls were once again in the floodlights, with Mrs. R. Greenlaw singing two songs with Mrs. J. Appleby at the piano.

Archie LaBrie surprised many

people with his violin. He has great talent and was accompanied by Don Stephenson at the piano. Charlie Parker, Robt. Garton, Dexter Champien and Don McLevon did exceedingly well in their skit when they showed the audience what would happen if men played cards as women do.

Fight TB with Christmas Seals.



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The Home and School dance held on Friday, Dec. 11 was very well attended. Star Serenaders supplied

the music:

Mr. and Mrs. P. Slonowski have returned after spending a few weeks at their daughter's home at Quesnel, B.C.



May all the pleasures of a
Cheerful Christmas remain
with you and help to keep you happy
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heart throughout the holiday.
May this glorious season usher in
a year overflowing with peace and
prosperity.

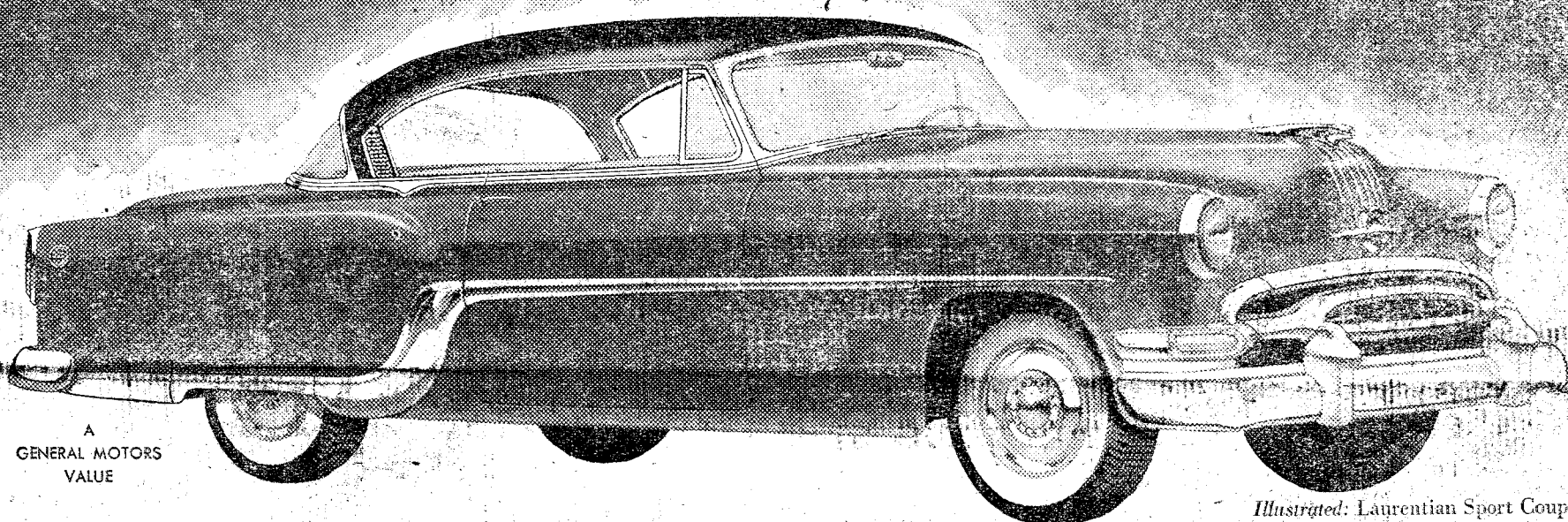
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New Chemical Plant In Production; First Of Its Kind In The West

EDMONTON (BUP)—The \$3,500,000 plant of Western Chemicals Ltd. has started production at Duvernay, on the North Saskatchewan river about 70 miles east of Edmonton.

The plant, first of its kind in western Canada, will produce chlorine, caustic soda, and muriatic acid. Nearby salt deposits will be used as a raw material for production of the chemicals, with natural gas from wells on the company's property providing the fuel.

Capacity of the plant, on which construction started early this year, will be 10 tons of chlorine, 12 tons of caustic soda and 10 tons of muriatic acid daily. The plant is designed for future expansion.

Chairman of the board of Western Chemicals is Eric L. Harvie of Calgary. The president is Dr. J. R. Donald of Montreal. W. J. Loney is general manager and D. F. Day is plant superintendent.

Tom Fool is retired to stud after perfect 1953 campaign.

Crimes Halt Night School

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—School's out for police officers who had been taking night courses at the police academy. They had to go back to work because of a sudden upswing in burglaries and other crimes while they were studying.

Christmas Seals are an investment in protection for your community against tuberculosis. Buy Christmas Seals and use them on your gift parcels.

Boyle

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lopushinsky a baby girl Monday morning in an Edmonton hospital.

Home for the week-end were Don and Harry Carpenter, and a cousin, Bruce Davis, from Edmonton.

Miss Florence Hirkoff is spending the week-end with her sister Annie in Edmonton.

Ronald Smith received a telegram to go to work in B.C. He and a few of the local boys plan on leaving after the New Year.

Another John Deere Show For Boyle

Nick Mandrusiak, John Deere dealer for Boyle and district has announced that date for the annual John Deere show has been set

for Feb. 5 at 2:00 p.m. The in-born, raised and lived his life of interesting film story to be shown a full 100 years in the one small centres around a man who was community.



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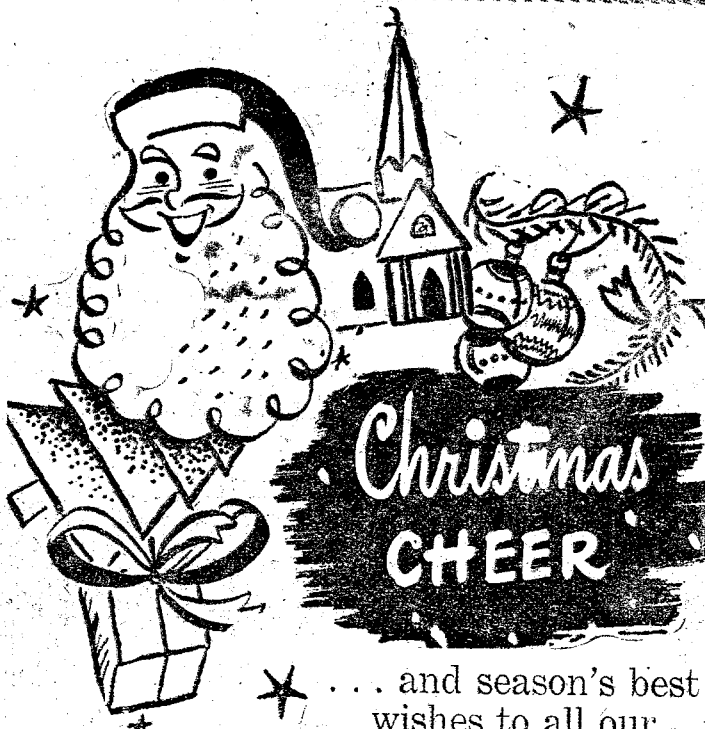
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A Merry Christmas



May your Christmas holiday be filled with joy and fun... And may the coming year increase your joy, happiness and prosperity!

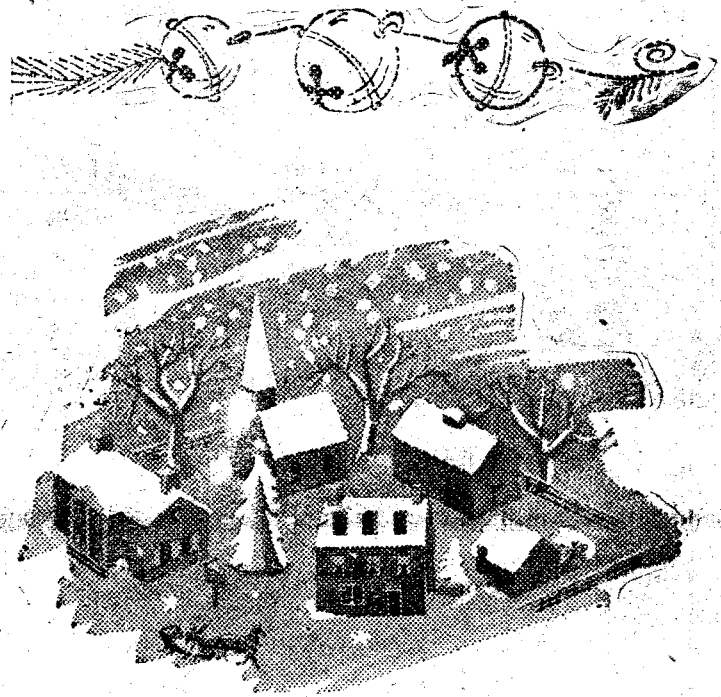
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Christmas Hymns and Carols

Keep this Page to use for Family Singing

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Silent night! Holy night!
All is calm, all is bright;
Round yon virgin mother and child!
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! Holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight!
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia,
Christ, the Saviour is born!
Christ, the Saviour is born!

Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light,
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth,

IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold;
"Peace on the earth, goodwill to men
From heaven's all gracious King,"
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come
With peaceful wing unfurled,
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world;
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hovering wing,
And ever o'er its Babel-sounds
The blessed angels sing.

Yet with the woes of sin and strife
The world has suffered long!
Beneath the angel strain have rolled
Two thousand years of wrong;
And man, at war with man, hears not
The words of peace they bring:
O hush the noise, yet men of strife,
And hear the angels sing.

And ye, beneath life's crushing load,
Whose forms are bending low,
Who toil along the arduous way
With painful steps and slow:
Look now, for glad and joyous hours
God's messengers will bring:
O rest beside the weary road
And hear the angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on,
By prophet bards foretold,
When with the ever-encircling years
Comes around the Age of Gold;
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendors fling,
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing.

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie,
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by:
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary;
And, gather'd all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given,
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming,
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him still,
The dear Christ enters in.

O Holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in;
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord, Emmanuel.



THE FIRST NOWEL

The first Nowel the angels did say,
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields
where they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their
sheep,
On a cold winter's night, that was so
deep.

REFRAIN:

Nowel, Nowel, Nowel, Nowel,
Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.

And by the light of that same star
Three wise men came from country far;
To seek for a King was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went.

This star drew nigh to the northwest
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
And there it did both stop and stay
Right over the place where Jesus lay.

Then entered in those wise men three
Full reverently upon their knees,
And offered there in His presence
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
That hath made heaven and earth of
nought,
And with His blood mankind hath
bought.

HARK, THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King,
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."

REFRAIN

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King."

Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord:
Late in time behold Him come,
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of a Virgin's womb,
Vell'd in flesh the Godhead see;
Hail the incarnate Deity,
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace,
Hail the Son of Righteousness,
Light and life to all He brings,
Risen with healing in His wings.
Mild he lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.

WE THREE KINGS

We three kings of Orient are,
Bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.

REFRAIN

O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to the perfect light.

Solo (Melchior)

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold I bring to crown Him again,
King forever, ceasing never,
Over us all to reign.

(Casper)

Frankincense to offer have I,
Incense owns a Deity nigh;
Prayer and praising, all men raising,
Worship Him, God most high.

Solo (Balthazar)

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gathering gloom,
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.
Glorious now behold Him arise,
King and God and Sacrifice;
Alleluia, alleluia,
Earth to heaven replies.

GOD REST YOU, MERRY GENTLEMEN

God rest you, merry gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay,
Remember Christ our Saviour
Was born upon this day,
To save us all from Satan's power
When we were gone astray.

REFRAIN

O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort
and joy,
O tidings of comfort and joy.

In Bethlehem, in Jewry,
This blessed Babe was born,
And laid within a manger
Upon this blessed morn;
The which His mother Mary
Did nothing take in scorn.

From God, our heav'nly Father,
A blessed angel came,
And unto certain shepherds
Brought tidings of the same;
How that in Bethlehem was born
The Son of God by name.

"Fear not then," said the angel,
"Let nothing you affright,
This day is born a Saviour
Of a pure Virgin bright,
To free all those who trust in Him,
From Satan's power and might."

The shepherds, at those tidings,
Rejoiced much in mind,
And left their flocks a-feeding
In tempest, storm and wind:
And went to Bethlehem straightway
The Son of God to find.

AWAY IN A MANGER

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down His
sweet head;
The stars in the bright sky looked down
where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus no crying He
makes;
I love Thee, Lord Jesus; look down
from the sky,
And stay by my side until morning is
nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to
stay
Close by me for ever and love me, I
pray;
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender
care,
And fit us for heaven, to live with Thee
there.

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him,
Born the King of angels:

REFRAIN

O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ, the Lord.

God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo, He abhors not the Virgin's womb,
Very God,
Begotten, not created.

Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,
Glory to God
In the highest!

Yea, Lord, we hail Thee,
Born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be glory given,
Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing.

ADESTE FIDELES

(Latin Text)

Adeste, fideles,
Laeti, triumphantes;
Venite, venite in Bethlehem;
Natum videte
Regem angelorum.

REFRAIN

Venite adoremus, venite adoremus
Venite adoremus Dominum,

Deum de Deo,
Lumen de lumine,
Gestant puella viscera.
Deum verum,
Genitum non factum.

Cantet nunc Io
Chorus angelorum,
Cantet nunc aula coelestium;
Gloria!

In excelsis Deo!
Ergo qui natus
Die hodierna,
Jesus, tibi sit gloria;
Patris aeterni
Verbum caro factum.

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AVE MARIA

Ave Maria! Maiden mild,
Ah, listen to a maiden's prayer;
For Thou canst hear amid the wild,
'Tis Thou, 'tis Thou canst save amid
despair.

We slumber safely till the morrow,
Thou e'en by men out-cast, revil'd:
O Maiden, see a maiden's sorrow,
O Mother, hear a suppliant child!
Ave Maria!
Ave Maria—undefil'd!
The flinty couch whereon we're sleeping
Shall seem with down of eider pil'd,
If thou above sweet watch are keeping.
The murky cavern's air so heavy
Shall breathe of balm, if Thou hast
smil'd;

O Maiden, hear a maiden pleading,
O Mother, hear a suppliant child!
Ave Maria!

Farmers Union Convention Winds Up; Henry G. Young Re-Elected President

EDMONTON (BUP)—The Farmers' Union of Alberta wound up its annual convention by calling for the appointment of a farmer member to the Canadian Wheat Board.

The 1,000 delegates and visitors to the convention rained through the balance of over 100 resolutions on the closing day after President Henry Young termed the gathering a "testimony to the vigor of Alberta's organized farmers."

The motion calling on the appointing of a farmer member to the wheat board was passed without debate, although two votes were recorded against it.

The convention also asked that "a Great Plains weather authority" be set up to control prairie water development and direct the Eastern Rockies Conservation project.

Stronger legislation was asked by the convention for business firms "found guilty of combining to fix prices." A resolution recommended jail terms for "responsible company officials, without the option of a fine."

ASK COMMISSION

The FUA also asked for a Royal Commission to investigate the handling and grading of grain under the Canada Grain Act.

Earlier, Vice-President Carl J. Stimpfle startled delegates with a criticism of their lack of a positive attitude in regard to establishment of producer marketing boards.

"I'm disgusted," he said, and added, "what kind of a group are you?"

Roy C. Marler, president of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, again called for a reduction in grain acreage on the prairies. He told the convention that wheat acreages should be cut 25 to 35 per cent, both as a conservation measure, and as a solution to market surpluses.

The FUA adopted a new 34-point program which called for income tax reductions with exemptions of \$3,000 for married couples and \$1,500 for single persons.

Guest speaker, L. E. Pharis, farmer representative on the Agricultural Price Support Board, advised farmers to produce only enough to meet market requirements.

"Surely it behooves Canadian farmers to heed the stern warnings," he said, "and to weigh carefully all prospective markets and to produce only to meet those market needs."

"With surpluses in all leading agricultural products, declining

prices and increasing costs, the situation should not make farmers especially happy," Pharis said.

Referring to Britain's refusal to sign the international wheat agreement, and U.S. legislation to alleviate government wheat surpluses, Pharis said "a number of disturbing factors have arisen which may bring drastic change in world trading."

The new FUA program also urges extension of the PFRA into a complete crop insurance plan, national health insurance, federal aid to education and development of the Hudson's Bay route.

Dealing with provincial matters, the program asks for a new provincial marketing act, financing by the government of 50 per cent of all education costs, extensions of mother's allowances, extension of rural electrification, and opposition to export of natural gas.

OPPOSE GAS EXPORT

The 24,000-member union threw its weight against export of natural gas from Canada.

President Henry Young told the convention that "at the risk of being old-fashioned" he would maintain that profits of natural gas be kept for Albertans.

Opposition to gas export was the final point of a 34-point policy program approved by the convention.

The gas export issue created heated debate from the floor of the convention, and was approved only after the word Canada was substituted for Alberta in the resolution.

Several delegates, including L. E. Pharis of Magrath, farm member of the Agricultural Price Support Board, argued in favor of gas export and said farmers should take a "realistic attitude toward the question of export."

Many farmers in the Pincher Creek area of southern Alberta, which has huge gas reserves, feel that export would be a sound proposition, Pharis said.

The Alberta government has deferred immediate gas export, but has indicated it will approve a plan under which two competing pipe line companies will combine to send gas to eastern Canada and to the Minneapolis market of mid-west U.S.

DEFER AMALGAMATION

The Farmers' Union deferred for one year a proposal to amalgamate with the Alberta Federation of Agriculture after delegates to the group's annual convention at Edmonton were unable to reach an agreement on the subject.

One of the most contentious subjects debated at the convention, the question was left undecided after a compromise resolution was finally passed.

The final resolution said that "Whereas a great majority of our members are not well-enough informed to decide on or against amalgamation of the FUA and AFA, be it resolved that we defer this matter for one year and get information to every member."

Supporters of the amalgama-

tion proposal stressed the need for a "United Farmers' front." Roy C. Marler, president of the AFA, told the convention that no action has been taken because the FUA has made no official policy decision on the matter.

YOUNG RE-ELECTED

Henry G. Young of Millet was re-elected president. He won a

fourth term in office by defeating Carl J. Stimpfle of Egremont, former president of the old Alberta Farmers' Union.

The figures of the vote were not announced by convention officials.

Mr. Stimpfle was re-elected as a vice-president of the FUA, defeating three other candidates. The

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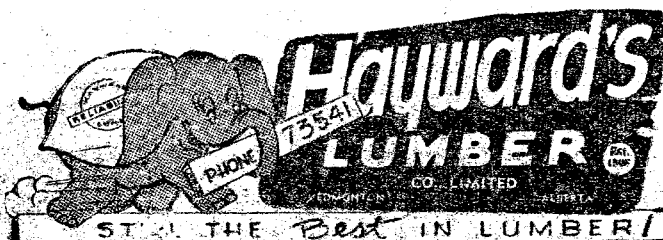
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Plamondon

Mrs. Martin Schaub is back from the General Hospital and she is feeling a little better.

Mr. George Duperron moved to Plamondon for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bosse are the proud parents of another baby boy on December 12th.

Father Record is now making his Parish visit.

Miss Jeannette Schaub is employed in a store about 130 miles from Plamondon.

Miss Ulric Menard is in the University Hospital in Edmonton for an operation and treatment. She is wished a speedy recovery.

Miss Alvine Schaub is employed at the home of Mr. Ulric Menard.

There will be a Christmas concert on December 23rd, put on by the school children and teachers.

Your reporter wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel (Donald) Bosse of Plamondon, on December 11th, a son, Philippe. Godparents were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bosse.

Elmer Plamondon and Claude Gauthier went to Edmonton on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Bosse are back from Vancouver.

Mrs. Josephine Bosse is back from Trail, B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bourassa motored to Edmonton and enjoyed a little Christmas shopping.

Wilbert Gauthier has gone back to work in the bush.

Charron

Mr. Joe Semeskavich is driving the Blue Jay school van in the absence of Mike Ilnicki, who has gone to Ontario to drive back a truck and car.

Mr. Abraham St. Jean is taking medical treatment in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Karpetz motored to Calgary accompanied by Mr. Nick Shapka and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Shapka.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond St. Jean of Jasper Place spent a few days in Charron visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. P. Cote and son Lucien were in the city recently.

The bingo party held in the Charron school was very successful. Raffle prize winners were: 1st prize, singing teakettle, Violet Nahayowski, Charron; 2nd, plastic tablecloth, Rev. Father Peletier, Breynat; 3rd, box of chocolates, George Fischer, Charron. The sponsors thank each and every one who contributed so kindly to the Children's Christmas treats funds.

Mr. Earl Holst, Ray Steed, Harold Steed and Arnold Lindstrom are back at Charron after a brief holiday. They motored to the United States and from all reports had a very wonderful time.

Convention Winds Up ...

(Continued from Page 23) three other vice-presidents, who were not up for re-election this year, are A. B. Wood of Dewberry, Arthur R. Hadland of Baldonnel, B.C., and R. N. Russell of Athabaska.

In his acceptance speech, Young forecast "great progress" for the 24,000-member organization but said "the outcome depends equally on the executive and the rank and file of the membership."

He advised delegates to look to the future in considering young men for executive posts and said "ultimately the operation of our group will have to pass into younger hands."

Young pledged himself to "continue to give my best in the interests of Alberta farmers, and in the welfare of all the people of Alberta."

A veteran of three different farm groups, the Alberta Farmers' Union, the United Farmers of Alberta and the present amalgamated group, Young is also a former provincial president of the CCF party and was an unsuccessful CCF candidate in the Wetaskiwin riding in the 1948 provincial election.

Drought Spoils Crabgrass Test

MANHATTAN, Kan.—Experts at the Kansas State College had to abandon their experiments to find which chemicals kill crabgrass the quickest. The prolonged drought killed the crabgrass and there was none left for testing with chemicals.

Crop Insurance Major Item At AFA Convention

CALGARY — (BUP) — One of the major subjects of discussion at the annual meeting of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture will be crop insurance.

J. Ray Maberry of Great Falls a farmer and committee member of the Montana crop insurance program, will discuss the insurance of crops.

Maberry will be accompanied by Henry L. Anderson, Montana state director of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

Roy C. Marler, AFA president, will preside at the convention, while Agriculture Minister David A. Ure will be one of the main speakers.

Frains

Laurence Nahorney was home for the week-end, accompanied by some friends from Boyle.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hussyneec have taken a trip to California, U.S.A. to spend Christmas with their daughter Olga and family.

Mr. Fred Shukela and Mr. Mike Letwin from Weasel Creek, were at Mr. and Mrs. Kolach for the

week-end. Mr. Shukela is interested in buying a business section.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kolach on the birth of their baby daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Nykolyn and son from Waskateneau visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ustina last Sunday.

Public education in Canada is under the jurisdiction of the provinces.



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